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PERSONAL MENTION.

—J. W. McClellan went to Champaign last night.

—T. D. Smith has gone to Springfield on a business trip.

—Mrs. Arthur Hartley is visiting relatives in Jacksonville.

—John B. Maus, of St. Louis, is in the city visiting friends.

—George R. Steele, who has been seriously ill, is better.

—John R. Dougherty is confined to his home by illness.

—Dennis Bradley is home from a visit to Canada and New York.

—B. K. Duffee was in the city yesterday from Springfield.

—Miss Matthe Bennington is ill at her home on North Dunham street.

—Albert C. Stifel left yesterday for Des Moines, Iowa, on a business trip.

—George Dunston left today for Chicago where he will attend the grand opera.

—Ross Hockaday, chairman of the county board, was in the city today on business.

—Miss Garrett, of Burlington, Iowa, arrived in the city today to visit Miss Mand Burrows.

—Mrs. J. F. Mattes and children left last night for St. Louis where they will visit friends for a week.

—Miss Bertha Bowers, who has been in the city visiting friends, has returned to her home in Bloomington.

—Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Hinkle, 322 South Union street, last evening entertained a few of their friends with cards.

—Miss Daisy Wheeler of Edwardsville, visited in the city yesterday with Miss Spalding. She was on her way to Chicago where she will visit friends.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Pratt and daughters, who came down from Chicago last evening to attend the funeral of Mrs. I. J. Davis, returned home at noon today.

THE CITIZENS' MUTUAL CO.

Brief Session at the Adjourned Meeting of the Stockholders.

The adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens' Mutual Telephone company was held last night. It was of very brief duration. Nearly all the stock was represented. The meeting was called to order. On motion an adjournment was immediately taken until April 15, when it is understood something definite will take place. The old management is in full charge of the plant.

THE FIRE AT CASEY.

Casey, March 2.—The losses by the big fire at this place were Fuqua & Sons, bank, H. & B. Lee, company, E. L. Shinkle, D. C. Sturdevant, R. A. Lee, M. C. Co-henour, M. Sanford & Sons, Hancock & Clark and others. Property valued at \$200,000 was destroyed. A strong wind was blowing at the time. The flames soon spread to two adjoining blocks and the entire business portion of the town was in danger. The Casey bank building is wrecked. The vault, however, is intact. The postoffice is badly damaged, but no mail was lost. The block in which the fire started was almost completely destroyed. It was the handsomest in the town.

LILLIAN RUSSELL SHORT OF CASH.

New York, March 2.—For some time has been whispered among theatrical people in this city that Lillian Russell has been and is financially embarrassed.

There seems to be some ground for this rumor, because of the fact that Miss Russell last week sold her house in Seventy-sixth street, this city, to W. C. Rolk, city editor of the New York Herald.

This house, which has been the apple of Miss Russell's eye, was sold for a sum approximating \$50,000.

W. Foster, John S. Jones, M. M. J. Wallace, William W. James, W. C. Plunk, McCarty, William Leake

On Saturday a bay mare pony, fourteen hands high, black mane and tail, weighs about 950 pounds, wore saddle and bridle at time of disappearance. A liberal reward will be paid for any information leading to her recovery. Jack Myers, 738 North College.

Open.

The H. S. Edwards short order restaurant in the Bonis building next to the Millikin bank is new open. It is fitted up in elegant shape. Mr. Edwards was formerly with the Loper restaurant.

The Princess of the Orient will hold a meeting tomorrow evening. There are about thirty-five new members to be initiated.



THE INAUGURATION.

President-Elect McKinley and Party in Washington.

PLANS PERFECT FOR THE CHANGE.

One More Day of Grover, and Then Republicans Will be on Guard—Great Crowds Flock to the National Capital.

Washington, March 3.—The day before the inauguration opened moist and warm and by 10 o'clock a slow, steady drizzle set in. The downfall, however, is hailed by the local weatherwise as a harbinger of clear skies tomorrow. This prediction is reinforced by that of Weather Chief Moore, who issued a special bulletin, saying the day would be clear, cool and breezy. The railroads continued through the night and day to pour in the crowds tonight. The rush of military companies and civil organizations is fairly begun, but few having reached here yesterday. Around the larger hotels there is a great crush and at the Ebbitt house where the president-elect is staying there is a perfect jam. Major McKinley retired late and rose early, for Washington, but was thoroughly refreshed. When he awoke for breakfast at 8 o'clock he looked the picture of health and strength. At the table besides the president-elect were Mrs. McKinley and Grandma McKinley. No one was admitted to the breakfast room save two or three intimate friends. They received the lobby of the Ebbitt house was crowded by persons anxious to meet Mr. McKinley. So many were Ohio badges and the name "Ohio" was so often uttered, that one was reminded of the phrase "United States of Ohio," current in the days of Hayes' administration. Only a few were successful in their efforts to reach the president-elect. Secretary Porter and near friends realizing that Mr. McKinley had an exhausting day before him, even if he confined to receptions to cases of immediate importance, gave orders that only a chosen few should be admitted. Mr. Hanna was among earliest callers. Of course he found no difficulty in making his way into the reserved section of the hotel. About 9:30 o'clock notice came to Mr. McKinley that a delegation sought to meet him and make a presentation. The appointment had been made in advance for this and Mr. McKinley descended to the second floor and met the delegation headed by Postmaster General Wilson who, in a very neat, though informal way, presented a diamond studded badge of the Semi Alpha Epsilon fraternity of which Mr. McKinley is a member. Mr. McKinley accepted the badge in suitable terms and promised to wear it tomorrow. Some time was then spent in exchanging greetings with friends who had gathered in the parlor. Soon after 10 o'clock Mr. McKinley returned to his private apartment and disappeared of matters connected with the inauguration, requiring immediate attention.

Exchanged Calls.

At 11 o'clock Mr. McKinley quietly stepped out of the hotel and entered a carriage with Secretary Porter and Chairman Bell of the inauguration committee. He went to pay an official visit to President Cleveland at the White House. Foy, a man on the street knew who were the occupants of the carriage as they whirled up Pennsylvania avenue. The party was shown directly to the blue parlor where they were met by President Cleveland and Secretary Thurber. The president walked with much less stiffness than he has shown for some days, and unless he suffers a relapse will be able to participate in tomorrow's ceremonies. The meeting lasted only a few minutes. Then Mr. McKinley returned to the Ebbitt house and an hour later, according to custom, President Cleveland returned the call accompanied by Mr. Thurber. The carriage was driven to the doorway of the hotel and the crowd was forced back to admit the passage of the president. As he walked through the rotunda the president plainly showed that he was suffering from the incoming and outgoing crowd slither and though he favored it as much as possible it was evident that every step it caused him pain. The call was very brief and the president was soon on his way back to the White House.

Prospects of the Big Parade.

Washington, March 3.—Grand Marshal Porter is kept hard at work at his quarters arranging for the big inaugural parade on Thursday. A rough total of the number of regular and militia soldiers and sailors who will be in line shows an aggregate of 11,000 to 12,000. The escort of President McKinley will number about

5000. The civil organizations vary greatly in strength, but are estimated at about 10,000.

Supplemental orders issued by General Porter announce that Captain James H. Scales of the Columbia will command the battery of 500 United States seamen, who will represent the navy in the parade.

The occupants of the reviewing stand and vicinity doubtless will rejoice in the order that "Hail to the Chief" shall be performed by no band except that at the head of the column. Several hundred bands, it may be stated, will be in line, and will play alternately.

As the day wore on the depots became crowded with the rush of incomers and there was a constant succession of heavily loaded trains, bearing individuals, military battalions and clubs. The most noteworthy of these arrivals yesterday was a troop A of the Ohio national guard, the creek cavalry company of Cleveland, which will form the personal escort to Major McKinley. The first military organization reaching here over the Baltimore and Ohio came on a special train from New York, R. I., artillery company, 1st regt. With the militia were Garrett's company of Boston and the Cambridge training school band.

At the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio stations it was estimated that 40,000 had been brought to Washington, and officials said their bookings were larger than on former occasions.

A national salute of twenty-one guns will be fired when President Cleveland leaves the White House in company with Major McKinley for the capital and another salute of twenty-one guns will announce that they have entered the capital. One gun will be fired when Major McKinley takes the oath of office and a national salute of twenty-one guns at the conclusion of the inaugural, when President McKinley and Mr. Cleveland begin their return march to the White House, and the same number of guns when the latter is made, whether Major McKinley enters the White House or the reviewing stand.

Locally the all-important question now is the weather. There is a wet area in the south and gathering showers in the north, but though there has been some gathering clouds around the District of Columbia, there is a persistent high barometer that brings clear skies long before noon. On the whole, indications favor showery weather and possibly rain before

or after inauguration day, with a prospect that the day itself may escape and indeed that the showers may be either light or heavy in another direction.

In honor of Gov. Tanner.

Washington, March 3.—A reception and ball in honor of Governor Tanner and his family was given at the Masonic hall. The affair was arranged by the Illinois Republican association, an organization of citizens of that state connected with the government service and living in Washington. The Illinois congressional delegation, Senators Cullom and Palmer, and their wives, also assisted in the entertainment.

The affair began with a reception at which all the guests were introduced to Governor and Mrs. Tanner. Afterward there was a ball which lasted till a late hour, and for which all the younger people remained till the end.

Governor Tanner left about 1 o'clock for his hotel. No speeches were made at the reception, and the affair was entirely informal.

Mrs. Gov. Tanner at Washington.

Washington, March 3.—To say that the handsome and talented wife of Governor Tanner of Illinois, is the reigning social belle of Washington is to make an assertion entirely within conservative limits. All day long, even before she had been seen from her bed, she was bombarded with invitations, to accept one of which would require that the days of her stay in Washington be prolonged to forty-eight hours each and that she devote her entire time to would-be followers. During the day, when she was absent for a short time from the Shoreham, scores of representative women of the capital's society thronged the hotel parlors awaiting her return. Her presence in the headquarters of the Illinois delegation meant a continued levee. The managers of the hotel say that no woman guest ever received the attention that Mrs. Tanner has been given since the doors of the Shoreham were thrown open to the public.

To pay homage to the fair Springfield bride came senators, cabinet ministers, members of the diplomatic corps, judges of the supreme court and other notables, accompanied in many instances with their families, and in all cases with the feminine portion of their respective households. So great was the crush that Mrs. Tanner could devote but the shortest possible time to each of her callers. Her good beauty and tact were most favorably commented on by the elder women, while many of the younger ones went into mild hysterics.

POWERS' ULTIMATUM.

They Demand the Grecian Evacuation of Crete in Six Days.

MUTINY AT CANEA CAUSES TROUBLE.

Severe Criticism in the House of Commons—Autonomy Promised the Cretans—Under Suzerainty of the Sultan.

Athens, March 3.—The representatives of the powers presented identical notes last evening to the Greek government. It declares that the island of Crete will be converted into an autonomous state under the suzerainty of the sultan, and demands that the Greek vessels and troops be withdrawn within six days.

Constantinople, March 3.—The representatives of the powers presented a collective note to the Turkish government. Great Britain's Position.

London, March 3.—The Earl of Kimberley, the liberal leader, called attention in the house of lords to the Cretan policy of the government. He argued that it would have been wiser and safer to join Crete to Greece, and held that under any circumstances the Turkish troops should be withdrawn from the island simultaneously with those of Greece.

The premier, Lord Salisbury, replying for the government, said the policy which was foreshadowed on Thursday was in the main that which had been accepted by the powers. Continuing his lordship explained that there was not, however, complete unanimity in regard to the withdrawal of the Turkish troops, and he added that Crete would not be joined to Greece. The premier thought the question should be deferred for quieter and more deliberate consideration. His lordship then said that he sympathized with the Cretans and desired to see an end put to their oppression; but, he continued, it was the duty of the government to maintain the existing condition until they saw the way to a safe, peaceful issue therefrom. In conclusion Lord Salisbury said:

"I can assure the house that we are resolved upon an effective autonomy for Crete, whereby is meant the withdrawal of the arbitrary power of Turkey."

The house of commons was crowded yesterday when the liberal leader, Sir William Vernon Harcourt, moved that they adjourn in order to call attention to the Cretan situation. He asked if the powers had consented to the British proposals, or if the latter had been modified, and said that there was no hope for Crete unless Turkey was substantially removed. The Cretans, he continued, wanted union with Greece, and he advocated the annexation of Crete to Greece. He expressed sympathy with the action of the Greeks, and warned the government that it had entered upon a path where it was not its own master, and asserted that it might be forced to decide against which the conscience of the English nation might revolt. Sir William further remarked that the opposition reserved the right to pass judgment upon these transactions.

Mr. Curzon, the parliamentary secretary for the foreign office, replied. He said that the policy of the government was to thoroughly reconstruct the administration of Crete and mitigate the authority of the sultan. Continuing, Mr. Curzon assured the house that the government would be established in Crete which would displace the Turkish government, though until the new government was established the Turkish troops would need to remain in occupation.

Matiny.

Canea, Crete, March 3.—After a conference between the consuls and admirals it was decided to send officers to Felling and Hirsapetra in order to facilitate the rescue of the besieged Musulmans. Seliino and Candamo will be placed under the protection of the powers.

CORBETT NEVER TOLD A LIE.

How Jim and B. b were Passing the Time Away at Fanning.

Carson, Nev., March 3.—Mrs. Corbett's presence at Shaw's Springs is responsible for a decided change in the character of the champion's work for the fight of March 17. He did nothing in the way of training for the morning yesterday, and after he met his wife at the train filled in the time till dinner showing her and his sister over the quarters and giving the ladies an exhibition of his skill in marksmanship. White put a dozen bottles in a row on fence posts, and Jim, with a short-barreled rifle at 60 yards' distance, shot them one after the other, proving clearly his good eye and excellent judgment of distance.

Mrs. Corbett's face was wreathed in

smiles, and she congratulated her husband heartily on his prowess with the gun. In the afternoon Jim punched the bag and played handball, but only for half an hour, rejoicing his wife and sister in a little while and chatting pleasantly with them till supper time. Tomorrow, if the good weather continues, Charley White and Delaney will take a walk across country and select roads on which Corbett will do his outdoor work, and on Friday Jim will begin his hill and level running in real earnest. When Mrs. Corbett was asked her opinion of his condition she said:

"I am delighted. Jim never looked better. He was pale and haggard when he left San Francisco, but now his face is rugged and he looks quite bright. I am glad he has been taking good care of himself, for you know it means so much to him. He will certainly win. He tells me he was never better or more confident in his life. He says he can't lose, and I believe him. Jim never told me a lie yet."

Bob's Bad Arm.

Carson, Nev., March 3.—Fitz was feeling rather listless notwithstanding he is bothered with his sore right arm.

"I don't know how I injured it," said Bob, "but the cords are stiff and my elbow is weak."

Picking up a new-fangled affair for developing the muscles of the wrist and arm, he swung it to and fro, and added:

"That is pretty good, and my arm feels a little better after using it. Somehow or other, I don't feel well today, but I will be all right again tomorrow. I guess I ate too much dinner," he added, with a laugh.

"Don't you think the injury to your arm is due to the sprain you gave it at Salt Lake?" was asked.

"No, I did not hurt my arm in Salt Lake," replied Fitz. "I hurt my wrist there, but that was all right long ago."

And in order to illustrate the fact he caught a reporter around the neck and went through the pantomime of uppercutting him. By the time Fitz was ready to release his victim the latter was ready to sink into a chair to recover his breath, so exhausted was he by the good natured manhandling he had received.

Maundy Day at the Fight.

An estimate based on the experience of men familiar with such matters, places the expected attendance at the prize fight at between 13,000 and 15,000. Of this number 40 per cent will be business men—that is to say, men engaged in reputable occupations, and 60 per cent will be "sports."

This percentage may be again subdivided into 30 per cent "square sports" and 30 per cent "fake sports."

The "square sports" are the patrons of the prize ring, the horse races and the "honestly conducted gambling houses."

The "fake sports" is the bunch man, the gold brick swindler, the shingle rigger, the confidence man, et id genus omne. The line of demarcation between the two classes is thin and wavering, and the instances of the "square sports" stepping over the boundary are not infrequent.

It is not going too far to say that if there are 15,000 men at the ring side, 6000 of them will be men who live by their wits or use arguments as weapons. Indeed the preparations already under way indicate this as a conservative estimate.

It is expected that on the night before the big fight not less than forty faro banks will be in full blast, and each bank will have from two to five "lay-out" and the usual complement of roulette wheels and crap games. The poker games will be "as thick as the leaves that grow the brooks of Valambrosa." Every nook and corner not occupied by the larger fry gamblers will be devoted to poker tables and the dice throwers.

GROVER HAS RHEUMATIC GOUT.

May Not Appear To-Morrow—Relations Between England and Venezuela Resumed.

Washington, March 3.—President Cleveland has suffered for weeks from rheumatic gout which has now assumed such proportions that it is questionable whether he will be able to take part in the inauguration ceremonies.

The state department is informed that the diplomatic relations between Venezuela and Great Britain which have been interrupted for a number of years have been resumed. It remains now only to ratify British Venezuelan arbitration agreement.

Aid for India Famine Sufferers.

Chicago, March 3.—Three car loads of corn for the sufferers by the famine in India were received from Stonington, Ill., and sold by W. R. Mulford for half a cent above the market price, as the proceeds were for charity. The money is to be forwarded to the Rev. A. B. Leonard, missionary secretary, New York.

SHERMAN AND CUBA.

The New Secretary of State and the Policy of McKinley.

ALL THE WORLD CAN UNDERSTAND IT.

Cost of Seats for Viewing the Inauguration Parade \$5.00 to \$5.00—General Washington News and Notes.

Washington, March 3.—(From our Regular Correspondent.)—Senator Sherman has said enough to let all the world know what the Cuban policy of President McKinley will be. To boll it down, President McKinley purposes to let the Spaniards and Cubans fight it out without taking sides, and to let both understand that American citizenship has got to be respected, something that has not been done under the Cleveland-Olney Cuban policy. Such a policy would have prevented the exciting scenes in congress caused by the treatment which Spain has been allowed to give American citizens in Cuba.

If congress fails to dispose of all the appropriation bills, it will not be the fault of the house, which passed the last of them several days ago. The senate has been in an ugly mood since the Cuban excitement last week, which was so suddenly brought to a close by a deal between Secretary Olney and Spain, which resulted in the pardon of Julio Sanguilly just as the senate was about to adopt a resolution demanding his unconditional release. Senator Sherman's announcement that American citizens over where they were protected by President McKinley's administration also had a quieting effect, but the ugly temper of the senate has come to the surface in a number of personal wrangles over unimportant matters.

Washington begins inauguration week full of visitors and with every arriving train bringing more, and the decorations already in place make it certain that the president will present a much handsomer and more aristocratic appearance than it has ever done before. The stands along Pennsylvania avenue, from which the parade will be viewed, are much handsomer than usual, just as the prices for seats are much higher than usual, ranging from \$5 for the best to \$1 for the rear seats in the stands. There are seats for about 50,000 in all the stands and the present demand indicates that they will all be occupied, but those who see the parade from seats will hardly be one-tenth of the total number of spectators.

Many prominent men, including Chairman Hanna, and four members of President McKinley's cabinet, are already in Washington, and the corridors of the principal hotels remind one of the scenes at a national convention.

John Wedderburn, who figured in the courts as the defendant in a suit brought by W. R. Hearst, in connection with the Examiner Claims Bureau, and the Press Claims Company, both of which Wedderburn originated and both of which are now dead, has run up against an official snag in the conduct of the business of John Wedderburn & Co. Fifty-five prominent patent lawyers of Washington, including four ex-commissioners of patents, have signed charges against the firm of Wedderburn & Co., and filed them with the postoffice department for conducting a fraudulent business, and asking that a fraud order be issued by the postoffice department against Wedderburn & Co., and that the National Recorder, a paper published by them, be shut out of the mails for fraud.

How much those who were saying a few days ago how strong the opposition in the house was to the bill authorizing President McKinley to call a monetary conference or to appoint delegates to one called by any other country, knew about the state of feeling towards the bill, may be inferred from the vote by which it was passed—279 to 3.

Senator Burrows believes, notwithstanding the address delivered by the silver Republicans last week, and the positive assertion of Senator DuBois to the contrary, that they will vote with the Republicans for the tariff bill. Speaking on the subject, Mr. Burrows said: "I have every reason to believe that while these gentlemen have announced themselves as silver Republicans, they will co-operate with their colleagues of the Republican party on this line, and when we have secured such legislation as will supply the treasury with necessary revenue for government support, it will be time enough to take up the silver question. I suppose this proclamation of the silver party has reference more particularly to the campaign of 1900 and I confidently

believe that before that time the country will be in such a state of prosperity that the silver question will not be able to engage to any extent the attention of the public."

There was a general feeling of relief when it was announced that the senate committee on public lands, had, after investigating the matter, reported that the land patent issued to Mr. Ferrine, the step-father of Mrs. Cleveland, was issued in accordance with the law and precedents controlling such matters.

Representative Murray's request for an investigation of the last election in South Carolina has been referred to the next house as an important matter demanding the consideration of congress.

MAY HAPPEN IN DECATUR.

Wyoming Postoffice Shuts Twenty-Five Feet and is Still Moving Downward—Other Buildings Also Affected.

Wyoming, Pa., March 3.—One of the most disastrous cave-ins which have ever occurred in the mine regions is now destroying portions of this town.

The buildings destroyed are the postoffice, residence of Daniel Ellsworth, the Starke residence, which went down at 10 o'clock, and the house of John Darbyshire. The houses of David Totten, Charles Towne and Mrs. Dr. Sparling were badly damaged.

The postoffice, the first building affected, is now twenty-five feet below the surface, and is still sinking.

The large hotel owned by Col. H. A. Laycock is in imminent danger. It is a four-story structure of brick, and if it be once shaken at its foundation the whole building is liable to come down.

Two hundred yards from the postoffice, and toward the mountain, is a large creek, and as the cave-in is gradually extending toward it there is great fear that it will be engulfed and the entire area affected by the cave is flooded. A hundred feet on the other side of the creek is the Delaware, Lackawana and Western railroad. The officials have posted men along the track to give warning of any danger.

The miners in the affected vein got out just in time to save their lives.

Pastorate of McKinley's Church.

Baltimore, March 3.—A spirited contest is in progress among the prominent ministers in the Baltimore Methodist Episcopal conference, for the assignment to the pastorate of the church in Washington that President McKinley and family will attend. Rev. Dr. Lucien Clark of Madison avenue church, of Baltimore, is the foremost candidate for the Foundry church, Washington, of which President McKinley will likely be a member. A certain bishop is working hard for the appointment of the Rev. Dr. King of New York, and the Rev. Dr. L. T. Townsend, former pastor of Mount Vernon place church of Baltimore, also has friends. Bishop Newman, who has a considerable amount of political influence, is urging the president elect to attend the Metropolitan church, where Bishop Newman was stationed when raised to the episcopacy. His argument is that the Methodist congressmen attend that church and it is better suited than Foundry for such distinguished patrons.

Dr. W. A. Stoker is Appointed.

Anna, Ill., March 3.—Kruschoff of Nashville, Samuel Hastings of Cairo, and James Mitchell of Marion, the newly appointed trustees of the Illinois southern hospital for the insane, held a session at the institution.

The board at the evening session appointed Dr. W. A. Stoker of Centralia, to the office of Superintendent. Dr. Stoker was recently appointed, superintendent of the asylum for the criminal insane at Chester, but will be transferred to the institution here by agreement with the Chester commissioners.

Dr. Miles Baker of Cottage Home, Williamson county, will probably be appointed to fill the vacancy at Chester. The three assistant physicians will be appointed before the meeting adjourns. There are about thirty applications for the positions. Dr. Stoker is 35 years of age.

A Minister Under Arrest.

Chicago, March 3.—Rev. M. A. Hampton, a former pastor of the Christian church at Mattoon, Ill., has been arrested on a charge of abduction preferred by Ruth Mackron, the 18-year-old daughter of a prominent furniture dealer at Mattoon. He is now at Mattoon. The sheriff intimated that a more serious accusation might come out against him. Rev. Mr. Hampton indignantly denies the accusation. He graduated from Drake university, Iowa.

Sparks Sentenced.

Springfield, Ill., March 3.—Samuel Sparks, postmaster at Sidell, Vermilion county, pleaded guilty in the United States district court to embezzling \$2800 of postal and money order funds. He was fined \$500 and costs and sentenced to six months in the Vermilion county jail. Sparks was arrested in Texas, to which state he had fled.

Around Home.

Miss May Sheppard is on the sick list. Sam Portwell transacted business in Cerro Gordo Monday.

Mrs. William Guilford was in Cerro Gordo Monday consulting a physician. Mrs. Mary Tipton, of Windsor, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. F. Robertson.

Miss Jennie Burns, of Bement, is visiting friends in and around the city.

Monroe Landt will load his household effects and move to a car here Tuesday and bid farewell to Illinois. He will go to Burrows, Ind. Monroe says he "will go back yander" where he will engage in farming again and won't have to pay it all out for rent.

Mrs. T. O. Holcomb went to Oakley Saturday evening to visit her son over Sunday, and returned home Monday morning.

Prairie Hall. Several farmers of this vicinity sold and delivered corn last week. Ben Fletcher has sold 9000 bushels and will sell and deliver at Prairie Hall this week.

Rev. Z. T. Hatfield preached at Prairie Hall church Sunday. He has resumed his work on this circuit and will not resign as previously announced. We are very much pleased that Rev. Hatfield has so consoled.

Central examination was held at Prairie Hall school Thursday, Feb. 2. It was very well attended.

J. T. Belden, A. C. Scott and Ben Fletcher were Decatur visitors Thursday of last week.

The remarkable revival at Dalton City has closed with almost 100 conversions.

Mrs. Deloy Davidson is in Decatur visiting her mother, Mrs. King.

Harden Belden, of Stanford, Ky., is visiting J. T. Belden and family.

J. B. Berry was in Decatur transacting business Saturday. He will grind corn at the residence of William Fletcher every Saturday.

James King has engaged for the summer term of school at Prairie Vale.

Will Davidson has gone to Hot Springs, Ark., for his health. He was accompanied by Delmar Belden. The latter will return soon to assist his father in farm work.

Lagrippe reigns supreme in our vicinity now. Almost everyone has a touch of it, but no severe cases are reported.

Elmer Trunk, who has been quite ill with pneumonia, is slowly recovering.

A Trip to Washington. An entertainment was given last evening by the members of the Endeavor society at the First Presbyterian church which was largely attended. It was called a "Trip to Washington." The rooms were arranged to represent a depot and the interior of a railroad train and the imaginary trip to Washington was taken. As the guests entered the church they walked into a counterpart of a railroad waiting room with the usual signs on the wall and bought a coupon ticket good for a passage to Washington with coupons for a lunch at Zanesville, O., and dinner at Washington. This ticket entitled them to the next room where the chairs were arranged to represent the interior of a railway coach. The uniformed conductor was on hand to take up the tickets, the brakeman to call stations and the colored porter to keep the passengers in a good humor. The peanut boy, in the person of Bert Bivans, was on hand and sold popcorn and prize package candy. The passengers numbered the irrepressible bride and groom and the old maids as usual. At Zanesville the passengers were given a lunch of doughnuts and apples and when Washington was announced they were shown up stairs to the banquet rooms where sandwiches, coffee and cream was served. The attendance was large. The society cleared a neat sum of money.

List of Patents. Granted to Illinois inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., solicitors of American and foreign patents, opposite U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.

T. Agnew, Evanston, horse hitching device; E. Cook, Kempton, fire kindler; J. C. Cromwell, Joliet, machine for making spikes; A. D. Elliott, Viola, sliding curtain; L. Gutman, Peoria, electric transformer; M. T. Hurley, Peoria, portable drill for railway rails; F. Kern, Mattoon, garment supporter; A. Lindgren, Moline, seeding machine; H. P. Lutten, St. Charles, grinding machine; H. B. Pitzer, Aurora, means for making plaid work in upholstery; W. F. Stallner, Danville, cane or umbrella holder.

The Death Record. Fanny B. Edney, wife of J. B. Edney died at 10 o'clock p. m., March 2, at her home at 1237 North Calhoun street, after a long illness from lung trouble. She was 18 years and 9 months old. She was a daughter of I. M. Lowe. She was married June 23, 1895. She leaves a husband, two stepchildren, her father, three brothers and three sisters. She was a member of Grace M. E. church in this city.

James Edward Chapman died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. E. Ernest, 309 East Jefferson street, March 2, aged 21 years, 7 months and 26 days. He has been an invalid from scarlet fever since he was 6 years old.

Marvelous Results. From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderson, of Diamond Lake, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Hives Junction she was brought down with pneumonia succeeded by La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption, and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery. It was quick in its work. The highly satisfactory results were obtained." At West's drug store.

The Outlook for Corn.

An exchange says: Prices are on the lowest level known in years for coarse grains, and therefore the chances for low values are greatly reduced. In May, 1896, many dealers paid 50 cents freely for corn at their stations, and had that confidence in it that they were ready to go to sleep on it, notwithstanding the suggestion that 50-cent corn had hurt more men than it had helped. Some of the same men now have great fright if they carry unsold over night one ear load of 15-cent corn. The 50-cent corn ultimately shrank 35 cents per bushel in value. Well, the 15-cent corn can hardly do that—can it?

Did one ever know anybody to lose money on 15-cent corn in Illinois, or at a corresponding price in other states? Think of what an important fact this is.

Following the two big crops of 1879 and 1880, corn declined to 35¢ cents in February, 1881, but before that year was out it sold in Chicago at 76¢ cents in October.

Following the next two very large corn crops in 1883 and 1889, corn sold in February, 1890, at 37¢ cents, but before that year was out corn sold in Chicago at 53¢ cents in November.

In neither case was there a "squeeze" or "corner." These advances came chiefly because, while large corn crops usually come in pairs or couples, the next crop following has been a short one, and therefore the price advanced.

Did one ever know of three large consecutive corn crops? There is no record of such conditions. If the experience of the past is worth anything, why may not 1897, under precisely the same antecedent conditions, measurably repeat the history of 1881 and 1890, as to advancing values later on?

Silver Anniversary. The silver anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Diek was celebrated last evening by an entertainment given at the Christian tabernacle. During the evening a musical program was rendered and Rev. George F. Hall read a history of the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Diek. Instead of giving presents each guest donated a silver piece to the church to be given toward the building fund. About \$150 was taken in. The ladies of the church served refreshments. The silver or golden anniversary of different members of the church will be held from time to time and money be raised in this way. The members of the Ladies' Aid society have already given \$50 toward the fund so that with what was taken in last evening the church has a start of about \$200. The program rendered last night was as follows:

Chorus—Flower dance
Older Song—Earl Hise.

Male Quartet—"The Old Time Meeting." Professor Calvin, Bert Johnson, W. D. Chamberlain and W. L. Pierce.

Duet—Quaker Couple, Chester Russell and Edna Sliter.

Male Quartet—"The Arbitration Committee," Luther Shockey, Earle Merritts, James Pierce and Harry Griswold.

The Wabash to Carson. By taking the Wabash Cannon Ball leaving Decatur at 7:30 p. m., Friday, March 12, you can join the Carson City special to the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight which will leave St. Louis via the Missouri Pacific railway at 11 p. m. The equipment and service will be of the very best, consisting of Pullman Buffet sleeping cars and Pullman dining cars, with every convenience. The rates for this occasion will be very low, being only \$74.40 for the round trip from Decatur. The Pullman fare will be \$15 for a double berth, including occupancy of cars while at Carson. The meals served in the dining cars will be first class, there being a charge of 75 cents for breakfast and for supper and \$1 for dinner. For further information, address C. A. Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ill.—3-6dt

A Pink and White Tea. Despite the inclemency of the weather last night the attendance at the pink and white tea given by the seventh division of the Ladies' Aid society of the Christian Edward street church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Riggan on North Edward street, was largely attended. All were cordially received and handsomely entertained. The decorations were quite pretty, pink and white flowers and ribbons being tastefully arranged. The luncheon consisted of pink and white ice cream, pink and white cake cream puffs and coffee. Those who waited on the tables and received the guests were Misses Nettie Pritchett, Gertrude Chamberlain, Nettie Moore, Maggie Landt and Mrs. J. C. Hane, Mrs. A. L. Riggan, Mrs. Landt and Mrs. J. C. Riggan.

The Kankakee river is swollen, which gives opportunity to experiment with the current and settle the dispute as to whether Dennis F. Reardon's body could have lodged in the willows at the foot of Third avenue, Kankakee, if it had floated over the dam. People have set bits of driftwood floating and have seen them drift to the same place that Reardon's body was found.

Pontino is to have an anti-horse thief association, a branch of the one already existing at Fairbury. There have been a number of horses stolen near Pontino recently, which seems to render such action advisable.

In the village of Arcola they recently had an entertainment for the benefit of the poor, where the gross receipts were \$70 and the net receipts only \$3.53.

HOW THE WORLD IS FED.

Freezing as an Aid to the Preservation of Food.

The extensive shipments of frozen poultry recently made from New York to Europe suggest the vastness of the scale on which the improved arrangements for feeding the world are now carried out. When America was discovered buyers in the largest European produce markets counted by the dozen at wholesale and had minds habituated to the "great gross" as the largest measure of numerical quantity. Now we are obliged to count our eggs and chickens not merely by the gross but by the million dozen. Last year England actually consumed 133,000,000 dozen eggs, paying \$20,000,000 for them. Ten million of them came from America.

In 1896 England imported 670,000 hundredweight of frozen beef from Australia, and over three times that amount from the United States. A market in London or in New York will often show within the space of 100 feet products from every part of the world, the shipment and preservation of which over thousands of miles of land and water have been made possible by the modern process of "chilling."

Although the horrors of plague and famine in India, existing while we have food products unused in this country, show that the machinery of distribution is still very imperfect, it is better now than it ever has been in history. The refrigerators invented during the last ten years have practically revolutionized distribution, and in doing so have confirmed the supremacy of the United States as the world's greatest provider. Everyone knows that we raise grain by the billion bushels, but it is only when we begin to export eggs and poultry by the million dozen and the thousands tons, and the humble hen promises to bring in more money from abroad than the haughty steel industry, that we begin to realize the possibilities of our greatness.—N. Y. World.

The New Coachman. This is the sort of an interview which may be expected when motor carriages come into general use:

"You advertised for a coachman, sir?" said the applicant.

"I did," replied the merchant. "Do you want the place?"

"Yes, sir."

"Have you had any experience?"

"I have been in the business all my life."

"You are used to handling gasoline, then?"

"Yes, sir."

"And you are well up in electricity?"

"Thoroughly."

"Good! Of course you are a machinist also?"

"Certainly."

"Then I presume you have an engineer's certificate?"

"Of course."

"Very well. You may go round to the outhouse and get the motor-cycle ready. My wife tells me she wishes to do a little shopping."—Toledo Blade.

The Queen Orders Mustaches. The order requiring mustaches on the queen's officers runs thus: "A report having been received in the department to the effect that it is getting the fashion in some regiments for young officers to shave the upper lip, the secretary of state for war requests that you will be so good as to take such steps as you may think necessary to insure the provisions of queen's regulations being adhered to."—Chicago Tribune

Attention, Wheelmen. Would you think of taking a fine watch needing repairing or cleaning to a watchmaker with only two or three years' experience? Of course you would not, too much risk. Now it will pay you to use the same care with your bicycle. We have in charge of our repair shop a man who is a thorough mechanic, and has had sixteen years' experience in bicycle building and repairing. He built bicycles before the day of automatic machinery for such work, and is therefore familiar with every detail of their construction. Bring your wheel to us for careful and proper repairing, enameling, etc. All work guaranteed. H. Mueller Gun Co.—1-dt

Ladies' and Children's made-up dresses, cloaks and capes chemically dyed, cleaned and pressed with ripping apart. Chenille and Portier Curtains dyed and dry cleaned, at Miller's Steam Dye House and Dry Cleaning Works, 145 N. Main street

Four prisoners escaped from the Douglas county jail last Wednesday by tunneling six feet with a pair of saws and a piece of scrap iron. The cell was lined with sheet steel, but they pried off a plate and crawled through.

Pekin has several noted raisers of game chickens.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

There's No Getting Around The Fact That

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is the best flour. 22,500 barrels made every day.

Your Grocer Will Supply You.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Ferby Holman, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Ferby Holman, late of the County of Marion, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Marion county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1897.

DAVID T. HULLMAN, Administrator.

Feb 10-1897

Housekeeper's Sale

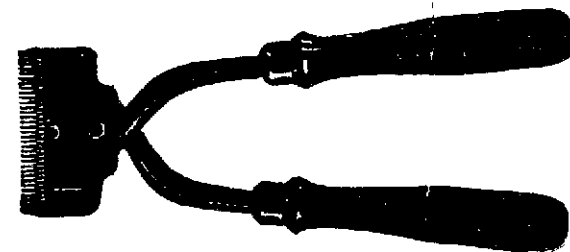
Table Linen, Sheetings and Pillow Cases,

at **Bradley Bros.**

50-inch All Linen Table Damask at..... 22½c yd
56-inch Turkey Red Table Damask, 40c quality, at..... 25c yd
54-inch All-Linen Table Damask at..... 25c yd
63-inch Heavy Cream Table Linen at..... 40c yd
10 Patterns of Choice Bleached Table Linen at..... 50c yd
63-inch Bleached Table Linen at..... 58c yd
72-inch Heavy Cream Damask, choice patterns, at..... 58c yd
70-inch Bleached Damask Linen, Napkins to match..... 75c yd
100 dozen Extra Value All Linen Huck Towels..... 12½c and 15c each
50 dozen All Linen Twill Kitchen Towels at..... 10c each
50 Choice Bleached All Linen Table Napkins..... \$1.25 doz
Unbleached Sheetting, 2½ yards wide, at..... 10c yd
Unbleached Sheetting, 2½ yds. wide, at..... 12½c yd
Extra Fine Sheetting, unbleached, 2½ yds. wide, at..... 15c yd
Bleached Sheetting, 2½ yds. wide, at..... 15c yd
Extra Fine Bleached Sheetting, 2½ yds. wide, at..... 18c yd
Pillow Cases, bleached, 42x36 inch, at..... 10c each
Pillow Cases, bleached, 42x36 inch, extra quality, at..... 12½c each
Pillow Cases, bleached and hemstitched, 45x36 inch, at..... 15c each
Sheets ready made, bleached, 2½ yds. wide, at..... 48c each
Sheets ready made, bleached, 2½ yds. wide, at..... 58c each

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Decatur, Ill.

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OUR \$15.00 COOK STOVE.

1,500 of them in use in Decatur and vicinity and every one of them satisfactory. This stove has all the latest improvements. Fire lined Oven Door, Oven Door Shelf, Back and Side Shelf, Oven Door Opener, Nickel Towel Rod, Heavy Loose Base—in fact a stove that is as good as many stoves sold for \$7.00 more money. Remember, every stove fully warranted.

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ONE BLOCK EAST OF MILLIKIN BANK.

SMOKE A

The insurance on our BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S we have determined to cover water damaged it will not

700 Reefer and

1,000 Boys' Knee

\$1.50 and \$2.00 Suits

\$2.50 and 3.00 Suits

\$3.50 and 4.00 Suits

\$4.50 and 5.00 Suits

1,200 BOYS' LONG PANTS

Light and Heavy Weight

\$5.00 and \$6.00 Suits, water

\$7.00 and \$8.00 Suits, water

\$9.00 and \$10.00 Suits, water

\$12, \$13 and \$15 Suits, water

1,500 pairs of MEN'S AND

\$2.00 Pants, smoke damage

\$2.50 Pants, " "

\$3.00 Pants, " "

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98 doz. Men's and

28 doz. Men's Color

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300 White and Far

Sale Opens Monday

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Now is the time to

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We are Prepared to D

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Make a new wheel

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Great Sale **Bradley Bros.**

22 1/2c yd
 40c quality, at..... 25c yd
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 40c yd
 50c yd
 58c yd
 58c yd
 75c yd
 12 1/2c and 15c each
 Towels at..... 10c each
 Napkins..... \$1.25 doz
 10c yd
 12 1/2c yd
 15c yd
 15c yd
 18c yd
 10c each
 12 1/2c each
 15c each
 48c each
 53c each

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 Decatur, Ill.

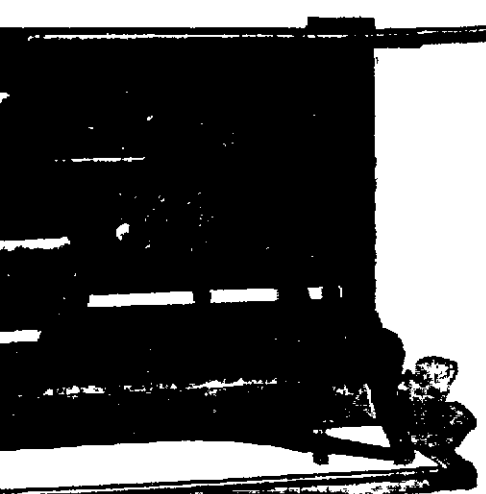
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 LOCK EAST OF MILLIKIN BANK.

SMOKE AND WATER DAMAGED **At OTTENHEIMER'S.**

The insurance on our recent fire has been satisfactorily adjusted, and we find our entire stock of
BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S SUITS are slightly damaged by smoke and water. To move them **RAPIDLY**
 we have determined to close out every suit at nearly **ONE-HALF** the Original Price. As they are mostly
 water damaged it will not affect the appearance or wear.

700 Reefer and Junior Suits for Boys 3 to 8 Years.

1,000 Boys' Knee Pants Suits, Single and Double Breasted 6 to 15 Years.

\$1.50 and \$2.00 Suits, slightly soiled, at..... \$1.75
 \$2.50 and 3.00 Suits, slightly soiled, at..... 2.25
 \$3.50 and 4.00 Suits, slightly soiled, at..... 2.75
 \$4.50 and 5.00 Suits, slightly soiled, at.....

1,200 BOYS' LONG PANTS SUITS, Ages 10 to 19 Yrs.

Light and Heavy Weight—Includes all our Finest Suits.
 \$5.00 and \$6.00 Suits, water damaged, at - \$3.50
 \$7.00 and \$8.00 Suits, water damaged, at - 4.75
 \$9.00 and \$10.00 Suits, water damaged, at - 6.00
 \$12, \$13 and \$15 Suits, water damaged, - 9.00

1,500 pairs of MEN'S AND BOYS' PANTS:
 \$2.00 Pants, smoke damaged..... \$1.35
 \$2.50 Pants, "..... 1.75
 \$3.00 Pants, "..... 2.00
 \$3.50 Pants, "..... 2.25
 \$4.00 Pants, "..... 2.50
 \$4.50 Pants, "..... 2.75
 \$5.00 Pants, "..... 3.25

98 doz. Men's and Boys' Heavy and Light Underwear, ONE-HALF PRICE.
 28 doz. Men's Colored PERCALE SHIRTS, at ONE-HALF PRICE.
 18 BICYCLE SUITS—sizes 34 to 40—at ONE-HALF PRICE.
 300 White and Fancy Vests, single and double-breasted, at ONE-HALF PRICE.

Sale Opens Monday, March 1st, and continues until the entire stock is sold.
ALL GOODS MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES.

Ottenheimer & Co.

BICYCLE REPAIRING

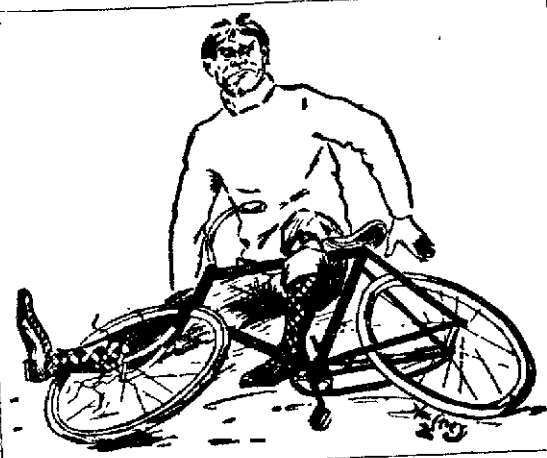
Now is the time to have your Wheel put in order for
 the season's riding. Don't put it off till good weather
 comes and you want to use it.

We are Prepared to Do All Kinds of Work,
 Including Enameling

Make a new wheel out of your old one by having it
 enamelled in a new color. We can give you a first-
 class job and for less money than you can send it away.

MOREHOUSE & WELLS CO.

DON'T BE DECEIVED!



A Bicycle is known by the company that
 makes it. Better pay for a Name than
 for repairs.

PAUL HIEKISCH,
 132 East North Street,
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Pride of the Orient.
 CULTURED PROTECTED PLANT.
 The Best in the World.

For Sale Only by
THE LEADING GROCER,
...H. G. BOYER...
 DECATUR, ILL.

LOCAL NEWS.

Ice cream soda at Irwin's.
 George and Bert Weaver have opened a
 Fair store at Pana.

Chocolate ice cream soda at Irwin's.
 The Grand Opera House cigars made
 by Johnny Weigand are the best in town.
 mch 25-dtd

After tomorrow at noon it will be
 "Good-bye Grover, hail McKinley."
 Tender roast beef with brown gravy
 served at noon daily at Singleton's restau-
 rant.—Oct 21-dtd

Rev. W. F. Black, the noted Christian
 minister, is reported dangerously ill in
 Chicago.

Coca cola at Irwin's fountain.
 The work of giving Rockford a fine
 system of waterworks has been started.

Stuart Robson in "The Juckline" to-
 morrow night at the Grand.
 W. C. Johns has been elected president
 of the Decatur Whist club. Seymour
 Campbell is secretary.

John Powell is the chef and Al Conn
 and James Horton the counter and table
 attendants at H. S. Edwards' new restau-
 rant.

J. M. Hughes & Co. at Durfee &
 Bros.' old stand have a choice stock
 of fresh garden and flower seeds.
 Give them a call. feb 23-d&wtf

The members of Pastor Hall's church
 have inaugurated a movement to raise
 \$75.00 for the erection of a new Chris-
 tian tabernacle.

Good Bread **Is Never Wasted...**

The Foundation is Good Flour.

HINKLE'S **BEST... FLOUR**

Will make Whiter and Better Bread than any
 flour made. Try one sack. Ask your grocery-
 man for it, or call up 550 and we will see that
 you get a sack of the best quick.

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THE LENTEN SEASON.

It Began To-Day with Ash Wednesday—
 Comments on the 40 Days' Fast.

This is Ash Wednesday, and with all
 the paraphernalia of bell, book and candle,
 the church's forty days of devotion is usher-
 ed in. It is in commemoration, says an
 exchange, of those awful forty days, now
 almost 1900 years ago, the fasting and
 prayer and passion in the Gethsemane
 garden, that the Lenten celebration has
 been kept from year to year. Doubtless
 it has changed its form as the church
 grew older, but, through melting forms
 and falling superstitions, the same—an
 anniversary of that most trying and diffi-
 cult month in all the brief and troubled
 life of the Savior—when he struggled
 with His human nature and parted with
 all His dreams of earthly greatness.
 There are stories of great temptations that
 came to Him in His weakness—tempta-
 tions that come to others in their weak-
 ness—to those, unfortunately who are not
 sustained by divine power. The chroni-
 cles tell how He overcame them all and
 emerged triumphant, even in apparent de-
 feat, the whole ending with that tragic
 scene of betrayal.

In the early days of the Christian
 church the apostles and disciples of the
 risen Lord kept the lenten fast as in a
 family the anniversaries of the death of
 loved ones are kept. One couldn't be
 merry on the return of a date when some
 loved life went out. And so, simply and
 naturally, the lenten celebration began.
 Gradually precedent broadened into cus-
 tom and custom into law—so that there
 is a whole code of lenten rules, which
 good church men, and especially good
 church women, live up to.

Lent was established as one of the great
 divisions of the church year long before
 Luther pulled the edicts from the church
 door. The Episcopalian church never
 dreamed of stripping the lenten ceremoni-
 al from its regime, though the other
 protestant churches, as they branched off
 from time to time, dropped the lenten
 idea and pass over Ash Wednesday with-
 out a commemorative nod. But they are
 few, even in the plainest and most protest-
 ant pulpits, where there is no mention
 from time to time of the lenten season,
 and in even the barest of them the pul-
 pits bloom with flowers on Easter Day,
 and one would think from the pious
 praise that the congregation had been
 fasting and praying on bended knees dur-
 ing the whole of the 40 days and 40
 nights. Though all come in for the joy-
 ful part, a few only share the sadness.
 Feasts are for the many, fasts for the
 few.

But two great churches of Christendom
 are enough to keep a season of prayer and
 penance alive. From March 3, until
 Easter dawn on April 18—for it is a late
 Easter this year—there will be daily ser-
 vice in the Catholic churches. After the
 early lenten days the fasts and anniver-
 saries increase in number and importance.
 On almost every day there is something
 to be done in memory of the One who
 lived in a cot here, but went to prepare
 mansions in heavens for others.

Every Friday in all the year is a fast
 day for the Roman Catholic church. Ev-
 ery Friday in lent is a fast day for Episco-
 palians and most of them live up to it
 faithfully.
 The members of these two great church-
 es keep the forty days so religiously that
 social events simmer down to the merest
 apology for entertainment during these
 days. The social season ends with Mi-
 carema, the evening of March 3, and after
 that there is nothing until Easter Mon-
 day, the most fashionable day for wed-
 dings in all the year.

This season, above all others, is the
 forty days of piety, happily unless, when
 one makes up for the peccadilloes or the
 guilt of all the year. It is the time for
 the balancing of accounts.
New Deal at Bloomington.
 Bulletin: The new system on the street
 car lines was inaugurated this morning
 and worked smoothly. Ten men go on
 duty at 6:30 a. m. and work until noon.
 They are relieved by ten men who work
 until 6 p. m. The first set then go on
 duty until 11 p. m. Next week the after-
 noon men will work the morning and
 evening tricks, and the others the after-
 noon. This arrangement will be alter-
 nated each week. The employees are
 pleased with the new scheme owing to the
 fewer hours and the long rest between
 tricks.

Epworth League Anniversary.
 At the Mt. Zion M. E. church Sunday
 night the Epworth League celebrated
 their first anniversary. Quite an inter-
 esting program was rendered; although
 the audience was small, it was quite an
 appreciative one. A number were present
 from Long Creek and Prairie Hall. At
 the close of the exercises Rev. Knight
 from Elwin gave a hort address.

Entertained at Cards.
 Yesterday afternoon Mrs. W. J. Quin-
 lan entertained about forty lady friends
 at her home on West William street. The
 affair was a six hand euchre party. The
 guests passed the afternoon playing cards
 and at six o'clock supper was served.
 Mrs. Quinlan was assisted by Mrs. Ber-
 nard Bradley.

The Debate.
 The debate on the proposition that
 Hamlet was insane, was decided in the
 negative at the High School Tuesday af-
 ternoon. The judges were Mrs. R. L.
 Walton, Mrs. Mary L. Haworth and J.
 J. Sheppard. Wayne Williams and Cor-
 della Williams took the negative side of
 the question and Myrtle Flint and Lucile
 Bonbrake the affirmative.

At The Grand.

Famous Preacher on "The Juckline"

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 15.—To the Editor:
 Stopping over in Chicago on a western
 lecture tour I heard Stuart Robson in
 "The Juckline" Saturday. I want to
 give my most hearty endorsement to this
 comedy. Such plays as this and Mr.
 Robson's "Shore Acres" will lift the stage
 in dignity and power and make this old
 world of ours brighter and more beautiful.
 Its pathos touches the deepest sources of
 the soul. Its humor is sweet and pure.
 It breathes the breath of nature. Mr.
 Robson's impersonation of the character
 is the perfection of the highest art. It is
 simple and powerful. It is fresh as the
 morning air of the mountains of North
 Carolina. "Such plays ought to have no
 rivals today on the American stage. It
 holds the mirror up to our own life. We
 see it in its beauty, its joy, its pathos,
 its tragedy. I want every member of my
 church to go and see every play of that
 kind that is produced. It is time the
 Protestant conscience in America should
 begin to bear a constructive criticism on
 the drama. The stage still stinks for the
 lack of it. Our present attitude of silence
 or hostility is sheer stupidity. It is fifty
 years out of date. It would do every
 preacher in America good to hear Robson
 say in his inimitable way while he holds
 those two roosters lovingly under his arms:
 "I believe in the Book from liver to
 liver, but how any preacher can eat a
 game rooster is beyond me." Sincerely,
 Thomas Dixon, Jr.

Mr. Robson and his excellent company
 will present "The Juckline" here at the
 Grand opera house next Thursday even-
 ing, March 4. Buy a 50 cent copy of "The
 Juckline" for 10 cents at J. W. Diller's
 book sale, corner North Main and Prairie
 streets.

MESMERIZED.

Had Habits Make a Man Act Like He was
 Under a Spell.

A man will try to convince himself by
 arguments so poorly founded that if they
 were presented by another they would be
 treated with contempt. As an instance:
 He may be alling from the heavy poison
 of tobacco, or the lighter poison of coffee,
 the weakened condition will show some-
 where in the body; eyes, head, stomach,
 heart, liver, bowels or somewhere. His
 doctor tells him to stop the habit, but
 each day the thought comes, "O, coffee
 and tobacco don't hurt me, its my stom-
 ach that is at fault; I'll have that cured
 and everything will be all right;" so he
 keeps on with his habits, and goes to
 dragging a poor old stomach that was to
 do its work beautifully if the master
 would furnish enough vitality to run it,
 but he poisons his nervous system and
 robs the memory of strength to carry on
 their work. When a man wakes up to
 what he is doing, exchanging his health
 and chance to succeed in this world, for a
 paltry habit or two, he quits them and
 follows nature's wise laws.

It is easy to give up coffee if one can
 have Postum, the Food Coffee, which is
 a fac-simile in looks of fine Mocha coffee.
 In taste it retains a like pugnacy with
 coffee, but has a distinct flavor of its own.
 It is made entirely of pure grains, and
 has the ability to make red blood quickly.
 Tobacco, morphine, whiskey, strychnine
 and coffee each contain the same
 poisonous alkaloids, but vary in strength.
 Postum is a delicious breakfast drink;
 it is fattening and nourishing, for it is
 made of the grains intended by the
 Creator for man's natural use, and scienti-
 fically prepared by the Postum Cereal
 Co. (Lim.), of Battle Creek, Mich.

Beware of the fraudulent imitations of
 the original Postum Cereal Food Coffee.
 Insist on Postum.

JOHN SUTTER ALL RIGHT.

He is Now in Decatur—Arrival of His
 Family from Havana.

John Sutter, the barber, is again in De-
 catur, and is in charge of a chair in the
 shop under "Cheap Charley's" store. He
 began work this week. John has been
 doing business at Havana during the past
 few years, running a barber shop and
 bath house. He sold out recently and
 went to Belleville on a visit. A story was
 sent to Springfield and Decatur to the
 effect that John had deserted his family
 and had gone away followed by a young
 lady of Havana. It turns out that the
 story is false. John simply went to Bel-
 leville to visit his cousin who is in business
 there. There was no woman in the case.
 He came from Belleville to Decatur, and
 today his wife and child arrived from Ha-
 vana. John will remain in Decatur.

Married.

At East St. Louis, on March 2, Conduc-
 tor Dennis Maroney, of the Wabash and
 Miss Mary Richardson. The couple ar-
 rived in Decatur today. They will make
 their home for the present with Mrs. John
 Clendenin, aunt of the bride, on Orchard
 street.

Awarded

Highest Honors—World's Fair.

DR.
PRICE'S
CREAM
BAKING
POWDER
 MOST PERFECT MADE.
 A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free
 from Ammonia, Alum or any other substance.
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, March 3.—Fair tonight and
Thursday; warmer Thursday; fresh
northwest winds becoming variable
Thursday.

Foremost and Prosperity.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: It may be
taken for granted that all citizens, except
a few politicians who place party above
every other consideration, are looking
forward hopefully for better times. But
lasting prosperity does not come by ac-
cident. Before it can arrive the basis for
it must be laid by appropriate legislation,
and successful steps, wisely taken, must
lead up to it. Theorists can not be trust-
ed to bring it about, nor haphazard reme-
dies be risked when the result may be
fresh complications. A great political
mistake was made in 1892. It is needless
to tell the story anew, or revive all the
evils that have followed in its train. They
are so many and so serious that the
chance of future blunders of the same
kind is lessened, and this may be an item
of some importance on the credit side.

It is through the steady application of
an intelligent and prudent foresight that
prosperity will return to the country, and
happily it has been exerted already to
some purpose. The election of last year
was a look ahead by the people for four
years. They selected a party and a set of
principles to represent their views of the
outlook, and gave it the emphasis of a
large majority. The change in politics
they deemed is about to take place under
circumstances indicating that it can be
accomplished without serious delay. As
an element of prosperity the history and
prestige of the Republican party are of
great importance. It has carried the
country through the most serious crises
and shown the highest skill in handling
the finances of the government. It has
received the treasury empty, with credit
low, and handed it back again full to over-
flowing, with credit at the highest point.
Its tariffs have strengthened the nation
industrially as well as financially. Any
of them has been infinitely better than
the chaotic medley of special protection
and free trade which now burdens the
energies of the people and adds to a de-
ficit for which there is no excuse.

A far more settled feeling prevails
throughout the United States now than
during the preceding years. The gold
reserve has been replenished, and the
fears of the people in regard to values so
quieted that they have no desire to ex-
change other forms of money for gold.
Business men are able to make estimates
for new ventures with the assurance that
the dollar will not be blest, nor go
down with a run to Populist paper issues.
The result of the election of 1896 adds to
the faith that the people are equal to sud-
den political emergencies, and duty cau-
tious about approaching false lights set
by wreckers. Voters were not caught by
the lure of cheap money for everybody,
and to decide one question right is a good
start toward settling the next in the same
manner. Prevailing conditions are such
that prosperity is already on the road, and
sagacious measures with the earnest sup-
port of good citizens, will bring it to be-
fore the present year runs its course.

Two and a half years of the operation
of the Wilson tariff bill ended February
28 and the following is given as sub-
stantially the result: Going into effect
August 28, 1894, the close of the month of
February, 1897, gives to the treasury and
the public thirty months of its works. The
story of those thirty months, told in a
single line, is a deficit of \$130,000,000, or
an average of shortage of \$144,000 per
day. President McKinley will find on
assuming the duties of his office, a sur-
plus of a little more than \$100,000,000 in
excess of the gold reserve, but this has
been obtained by the sale of bonds, which
threw into the treasury \$998,464,398.
The month of February was no exception
to the general rule. The deficiency for
this month is, in round numbers, \$500,-
000, bringing the total deficiency for the
two and a half years of the Wilson law
above \$130,000,000.

Our readers who have looked with some
skepticism upon the rosy accounts of a
new invention which was to make dry
corn stalks nearly as valuable as Timothy
hay, will be pleased to know that a factory
is actually established at Rockford which
is offering to pay three dollars a ton for
dry stalks. The manager complains that
farmers are slow about bringing them in.
We wonder. Nobody can afford to go
into a corn field and gather and bind corn
stalks and haul them several miles for
three dollars a ton. Still, if the demand
turns out to be permanent, no doubt by
next year some method of saving the
stalks and delivering them—if not for
three dollars, for some reasonable sum—
will be devised.

BLISS IN THE CABINET.

He May be Given the Interior Portfolio—
Notice of Acceptance.

Washington, March 3.—Cornelius N.
Bliss of New York, has accepted a portfo-
lio in the cabinet. He will probably be
secretary of the interior.

Though Mr. Bliss is willing to take the
secretaryship of the interior his friends
strongly desire that he become secretary
of the navy. This, however, would com-
pel a change in the cabinet slate and com-
pel the shifting of Long of Massachusetts.
Cornelius Bliss, who accepted the portfo-
lio in McKinley's cabinet, was born at
Fall River, Mass., sixty years ago. At 20
he entered his father's commission house
at New Orleans. He went into business
in Boston in 1848 as a partner in Wright
& Co., and opened a branch store in New
York City which under his management
soon became the big end of the business.
Today Bliss, Fabian & Co., are recognized
as one of the leading dry goods firms. He
is a director in many financial institu-
tions. He was always interested in poli-
tics, but never held a political office. He
was president of the protective tariff
league a long time and twice chairman of
the Republican state convention, and
treasurer of the national committee for
some time. He declined the nomination
for governor in 1885 and to avoid a simi-
lar nomination in 1891 went to Europe.
He was chairman of the business men's
committee which tried to nominate Ar-
thur in 1884.

Although not in complete harmony
with his party Mr. Bliss financed the
Republican national committee in the
last two presidential campaigns. He ac-
cepted the trusteeship of the committee
last year at the urgent solicitation of Mr.
Kinley and Hanna. He made a rule that
no obligation should be incurred until the
money was in hand to meet it. This was
rigidly adhered to. At the close of each
day checks were mailed for every bill and
died. The politicians therefore were sur-
prised when election night came around
at being told that the campaign closed
with a surplus in the treasury.

Long and Bliss.
Boston, March 3.—A Washington spe-
cial says Mr. McKinley has telegraphed
Governor Long as follows: "Your ap-
pointment stands as secretary of the
navy." Mr. Bliss accepts the secretary-
ship of the interior with the understand-
ing that he shall not hold it longer than
six months and for a less time if the
president shall find a substitute.

SPECIAL SESSION OF CONGRESS.

It Will Meet on March 15 to Make Early
Revision of the Tariff.

Washington, March 3.—The Associated
Press is able to make the definite though
unofficial announcement that congress
will be convened in special session almost
immediately after Mr. McKinley's as-
sumption of office, and that the date
named will be March 15. The new presi-
dent will send a message to congress, call-
ing attention to the state of the govern-
ment's revenue, and urging speedy enact-
ment of general revision of the tariff.

Terra Haute Horse Sale.

Terra Haute, Ind., March 3.—At the
Fleming combination horse sale, Jersey
Wilkes, B. H., 16 years old, by George
Wilkes, dam Lady Patchen, brought
\$1975; Bay Mare, by Guy Wilkes, dam
Eva, by Sultan, was sold to Mike Bower-
man, Lexington, Ky., for \$798. A num-
ber of sales were made ranging in price
from \$500 to \$700.

Dr. Zeller Would Go to Switzerland.
Peoria, Ill., March 3.—Dr. George A.
Zeller, chairman of the Republican coun-
ty central committee, has announced him-
self a candidate for the position of consul
to Switzerland under President-elect Mc-
Kinley. Dr. Zeller was last year a candi-
date for the Republican nomination for
state treasurer.

A Liquor Case.

The case of the people vs. Boley and
Brickie, saloonkeepers, was on trial in the
county court this afternoon. The saloon
men are charged with selling liquor to
minors. Attorneys Hutchinson and Finn
appeared for the defendants and Attorney
A. H. Mills prosecuted the case.

Sales of Real Estate.

Hiram B. Morse, trustee to George W.
Peterson, the west half of the southeast
quarter of 8, section 8 and all that part of
the northeast quarter of section 17, lying
north and west of the Sangamon river ex-
cept 7 acres; all being 17, 4 east, contain-
ing 218 acres; \$4770.

William H. Starr to William H. Pen-
halligan, lot 8 in block 3 in Riverside
place, \$650.

Dog Show.

St. Louis, March 3.—The second annual
bench show of the St. Louis Kennel club
opened today. Some of the finest dogs in
the country are entered.

The members of the Decatur Guards
will give a dance at the armory Friday
night. Oren Keefe, Sam May, George
Young and Jerry Nicholson will be the
committee in charge.

PARKE & SON
SEWER PIPE,
TILE,
CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 3, 1897.
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Taylor,
dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with cor-
respondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis
and St. Louis for the following market quoti-
tions:

	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Clos- ing.
Wheat—				
May	76 1/2	76 3/4	74 1/2	74 3/4
July	72 1/2	73 1/2	72	72 1/2
Corn—				
May	24 1/2	24 3/4	24	24 1/2
July	23 1/2	23 3/4	23	23 1/2
Oats—				
May	17 1/2	17 3/4	17	17 1/2
July	15 1/2	15 3/4	15	15 1/2
Barley—				
May	8 1/2	8 3/4	8 1/2	8 1/2
July	4 1/2	4 3/4	4 1/2	4 1/2
Lard—				
May	4 1/2	4 3/4	4 1/2	4 1/2
July	4 1/2	4 3/4	4 1/2	4 1/2

May wheat: puts, 74 1/2; calls, 75 1/2; curb
74 1/2.

Wheat—21. Estimated, 12. Year ago, 74.
Corn—29. Estimated, 24. Year ago, 67.
Oats—15. Estimated, 15. Year ago, 42.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat, 18; Corn, 24; Oats, 23.

Bag receipts 35,000; estimated, 35,000. Mar-
ket 50 higher.

Light, \$3.60; Mixed, \$3.55; Heavy, \$3.50.

Estimated for to-morrow, 36,000.

Cattle receipts, 1,000. Market 10 to 15c higher.

PRICING QUOTATIONS.

PRICING, March 3.—Corn, steady, new, No. 2,
white, 90c; oats, quiet, No. 2, white, 17 1/2@18 1/2;
Rye, nominal.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Wheat, May, 80c;
Corn, May, 29 1/2c; oats, May, 21 1/2c.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Butter, steady, cream-
ery, 10@12c; Eggs, weak, 12@12 1/2c.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, March 3.—Wheat, cash, 81c; May,
86c; Corn, cash 29 1/2c; May, 24c; Oats, cash
17c; May, 17 1/2c.

MAY CHOOSE THE ROUTE.

An Interesting Decision by the Interstate
Commission.

Washington, March 3.—The interstate
commerce commission has handed down a
decision affecting the responsibility of
carriers for damages resulting from failure
to obey a shipper's instructions. The
commission rules that a shipper is entitled
to have his merchandise carried over the
route which he signified, and that a car-
rier's failure to receive and forward ac-
cordingly, is unlawful discrimination,
under the act to regulate commerce, for
which the complainant should have repara-
tion to the amount of damages shown.

THE LAW UPHELD.

Missouri Statute Which Hangs Train Rob-
bers is Constitutional.

Kansas City, Mo., March 3.—Judge
Wofford of the criminal court, has decid-
ed in a lengthy opinion, that the law fix-
ing the death penalty for train robbery
was constitutional. The decision was in
the case of the Blue Cut train robbers,
Kennedy, Bolan and Finn, who filed a
demurrer to the indictments.

After the trial, if the men are convict-
ed, they will appeal to the supreme court as
a further test of the law.

Life Insurance Companies Barred Out.

Topeka, Kan., March 3.—State Super-
intendent of Insurance McNeil has ad-
dressed letters to the Connecticut Mutual
Life and New York Life Insurance com-
panies, refusing to issue license to them
to do business in the state for the ensuing
year on the ground that they have not
dealt fairly with Mrs. Sally E. Hillman
refusing to pay the death loss and caus-
ing litigation in the matter. Mrs. Hill-
man sued the companies for \$50,000 on
her husband's life. Hillman disappeared,
the wife claimed he was drowned. The
companies refused to believe him dead.
Four times the juries have failed to agree
on the verdict, but on the fifth trial she
was awarded the full amount of the pol-
icies.

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited
for any season, but perhaps more
generally needed when the lan-
guid, exhausted feeling prevails, when
the head is aching and sluggish and the
use of a tonic and alterative is felt. A
prompt use of this medicine has often
verted long and perhaps fatal bilious
fevers. No medicine will act more surely
in counteracting and freeing the system
from the malarial poison. Headache,
indigestion, constipation, dizziness yield
to Electric Bitters. 50c and \$1.00 per
bottle at West's drug store.

Marriage Licenses.

George M. Butler, Maroa, 24.
Tufolia Alsop, Maroa, 17.
Elmer E. Cooley, Oleana, 29.
Neva May Anderson, Oleana.
William P. Noecker, Argenta, 24.
M. Louise Haffelroad, Oakley, 25.

Quinine.

Special low prices at West's drug store:
Powers & Weightman, ounces, .50 cents
German, ounces, .40 cents
2-grain pills, 100, .35 cents
Gum camphor, pound, .60 cents

"Uncle Andy" Sloan, a much-loved old
resident of Rankin, is dead, aged 95. He
was very wealthy.

Something for burns, scalds, chapped
hands and lips. Healing for cuts and
sores. Instant relief for piles, stings, pain
at once. These are the virtues of
DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J.
Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L.
Krone.

Only Two Hours and Fifty Minutes
to Peoria. Take the Vandalia Line.
Train leaves at 11:42 a. m.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts,
Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum,
Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands,
Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions,
and positively cures Itch, or no pay re-
quired. It is guaranteed to give perfect
satisfaction or money refunded. Price
25 cents per box. For sale by E. A.
West, the druggist.

RHEUMATISM

Manyon's Rheumatism Cure is guaranteed to
cure acute or muscular rheumatism in from one
to five days. Sharp, shooting pains in any part
of the body stopped by a few doses. A prompt,
complete and permanent cure for lameness,
soreness, stiff back and all pains in hips and
joints. Chronic rheumatism, sciatica, lumbago
or pain in the back are speedily cured. It set-
dles falls to give relief from one or two doses,
and almost invariably cures before one bottle
has been used. Price 25c.

MUNYON'S

Improved Homeopathic Home Remedy Com-
pany put up a separate cure for each disease.
At all druggists, mostly 25 cents. Guide to
Health free.
Personal letters to Prof. Munyon, 1505 Arch
street Philadelphia, Pa., answered with free
medical advice for any disease.

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Spring
Millinery.

MISS ANNA McDONALD

In charge of this
Department.

Orders will receive
Prompt attention.

S. G. HATCH
& BRO.

151 EAST MAIN ST.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
MACON COUNTY,
In the Circuit Court of Macon county Illinois.
W. C. H. Keough, Receiver, vs. Webster H.
Rapp, Elizabeth M. Rapp, his wife, Jeannette
C. Blume, George P. Blume, George P. Blume
and Webster H. Rapp, partners as Blume &
Rapp, Lucinda Lugie and the unknown hus-
band, Larry, of said Lucinda Lugie, and the
North and South Building and Loan Associa-
tion—No. 1580; In Chancery.
Affidavit has been filed in the office of the
clerk of said court in and for said county of
Macon that Webster H. Rapp, one of the de-
fendants in the above entitled cause, has gone out
of and is no longer a resident of the state of
Illinois, that said cause having been com-
menced in said court to the January
Term, 1897, thereof, and summons having issued
therein directed to the sheriff of Macon county
to serve, and said summons having been re-
turned not found, and an alias summons having
been issued to the sheriff of Cook county, Illi-
nois, and having been returned not found, and
said cause having been continued to the June
Term 1897, of said court for service and being
now pending and undetermined in said court,
and it having been ascertained upon inquiry
that the said Webster H. Rapp is a resident of
the State of New York, and that his postoffice
address is, Care of R. S. Peal & Co., No. 91
Fifth Ave New York City.
Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to you,
the said Webster H. Rapp, that unless you shall
be and appear at said court in said county, on
the first day of the next term thereof, to be held
at the court house in the City of Decatur, in said
Macon county, on the first Monday of June,
1897, and plead, answer or demur to the bill of
complaint filed therein, the said bill and the
matters therein contained will be taken for con-
fessed against you and a decree rendered ac-
cording to the prayer thereof.
Dated this 31 day of March, 1897.
Collins & Fletcher, Compt's Solicitors.
March 3-4w

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dent of the State of New York, and that his
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No. 91 Fifth Ave, New York City.
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Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Henry Blenz, Br. Deceased.
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istrator of the estate of Henry Blenz, late of the
county of Macon and state of Illinois, de-
ceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear
before the county court of Macon county, at the
court house in Decatur, Ill., on the first day
of the next term of said court, to-wit: on the
first Monday in May next, at which time all
persons having claims against said estate are so-
lided and requested to attend for the purpose of
having the same adjusted. All persons indebted
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Dated this 31 day of March, 1897.
HENRY BLENZ, Jr., Administrator.
March 3-4w

WOMEN—A large oak roll top desk, office
chair, hall tree and extension ladder. Apply
at No. 564 North College street. 3-46

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned
has been appointed assignee of Mamie E. Den-
ver, late of the county of Macon and state of Illi-
nois, deceased, and that all persons having claims
against said Mamie E. Denver are hereby sol-
lided to present the same to him under oath or
affirmation within three months from this date,
whether said claims are due or not. All persons
indebted to said assignor are requested to
make prompt payment of the same.
Dated February 10, 1897.
A. F. GERHARD, Assignee.
Feb 10-4w

Smith & Calkins'

Fine Stock of Gents' Furnishings, such as
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GET WHAT YOU WANT. The fire loss of
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AT BARGAIN SALE.

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Monday, Feb. 15th, 1897.

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If you wear a

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YOU ARE RIGHT.

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BLACK, BROWN,
and PECAN...

Few more of the—

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35c, or three for \$1.00 left.

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Highest Market Price in Merchandise at
Lowest Cash Value.

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Now is the time to buy a
Perfect Fitting CORSET...

I CARRY FULL LINE

Warner's, Thompson's Glove-Fitting, R and G,
Flexo Girdle, P. D. Jackson Corset Waist.

A dress form Corset in black, white and summer for \$1.00
For a cheap Corset try my 50c.

H. C. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.



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BOLLEN & LANNING, Real Estate Dealers,
have another of their popular EXCURSIONS
TO TEXAS on TUESDAY, MARCH 24,
where they are selling so much of
their cheap lands near Houston
and Galveston. These lands are smooth, level
prairie, most of them new and rich, have never
had a plow in them. We can sell you cheaper
and better lands, better terms than any one and
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goods good to exchange for lands. In fact can
do you almost any kind of a trade. Espe-
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the bayou from Galveston. Write us or call and
see us in Millikin bank building, Decatur, Ill.
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We are authorized to announce J. Q. A.
O'NEAL as a candidate for re-election to the office
of Justice of the Peace, subject to the votes of
the electors.

We are authorized to announce HARRY K.
MORRIS as a candidate for Constable, subject
to the decision of the Republican township con-
vention.

We are authorized to announce GEORGE F.
HARDY as a candidate for Justice of the Peace,
subject to the decision of the Republican town-
ship convention.

We are authorized to announce FRED. E.
MAYNARD as a candidate for Constable, subject
to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce JOHN
NICHOLS as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject
to the decision of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES A.
CARTER as a candidate for Town Collector, sub-
ject to the action of the Republican town-
ship convention.

We are requested to announce J. O. HANES
as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject
to the decision of the Republican township con-
vention.

We are authorized to announce P. B. PROVOST
as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject
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O'MARA as a candidate for Justice of the Peace,
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We are authorized to announce O. W. SMITH
as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject
to the decision of the Republican township con-
vention.

We are authorized to announce CHARLES M.
CALDWELL as a candidate for Commissioner of
Highways, subject to the action of the Republi-
can township convention.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM
BUNDY as a candidate for Commissioner of
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can township convention.

We are authorized to announce J. T. LLOYD
as a candidate for Constable, subject to the de-
cision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce ARTHUR F.
EVANS as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to
the decision of the Republican township con-
vention.

We are authorized to announce LARRY
H. MARTIN as a candidate for Collector, sub-
ject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce S. T. KEELER
as a candidate for Assessor for Decatur town-
ship, subject to the Republican primary elec-
tion.

We are authorized to announce W. H. SPOON
as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject
to the action of the Republican township con-
vention.

We are authorized to announce T. L. ANDRIS
as a candidate for Constable, subject to the ac-
tion of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce ALBERT H.
CORE as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to
the action of the Republican township con-
vention.

We are authorized to announce A. H. GORON
as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject
to the action of the Republican convention.

Have a Rabid Dog.

Taylorville, March 3.—A rabid dog has
been creating havoc recently with the
stock of South Fork farmers. It was first
observed about two weeks ago by John
Claughton while in the midst of the lat-
ter's cattle. Mr. Claughton thought no
more of the matter until three of his
steers were seized with the hydrophobia
and died. Later it was learned that a
horse owned by Thomas Baker had died,
and also several hogs belonging to Robert
Barry. A number more of Mr. Barry's
hogs are afflicted with symptoms resem-
bling rabies and are expected to die. The
mad dog has not been seen for over a
week, but as soon as he is, summary
vengeance will be dealt out to him.

Did you ever stop to think what indi-
gestion really means? It simply means
that your stomach is tired. The horse
and the steam engine do the work.
Why not give your stomach a ride; that
is, let something else do its work. Foods
can be digested outside of the body.
All plants contain certain digestive prin-
ciples which will do this. The Shaker
Digestive Cordial contains digestive
principles and is a preparation designed
to rest the stomach. The Shakers
themselves have such unbounded con-
fidence in it that they have placed 10
cent sample bottles on the market, and
it is said that even so small a quantity
proves beneficial in a vast majority of
cases. All druggists keep it.

Laxol is the best medicine for chil-
dren. Doctors recommend it in place
of Castor Oil.

Strayed or Stolen

On Saturday a bay mare pony, fourteen
hands high, black mane and tail, weighs
about 950 pounds, wore saddle and bridle
at time of disappearance. A liberal re-
ward will be paid for any information
leading to her recovery. Jack Myers, 738
North College.

Harry Snarr

has secured the agency of
Allagretti & Co.'s
Chocolate Cream.

24-26

A weed in the garden can be easily
destroyed when it first starts. Con-
sumption can be wiped in the bud by
One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stone &
Geo. Armstrong Bros. and N. L.
Kroes.

Golden Rod Lotion for chapped hands
gives satisfaction. For sale at Opera
House Drug store.

SPEED OF THE SWIFT.

A Texas Quadruped That Can Beat a
Bullet.

Having always felt an interest in
animal life, I made the best of a recent
opportunity to learn what I could about
an animal which is, so far as I have
been able to ascertain, unknown to the
authors of zoological works—at least
by the name under which the animal is
known where I found it. The quadru-
ped of which I write is found on certain
portions of the staked plains of western
Texas and is known there as the swift,
a name which but feebly expresses the
running qualities of the animal. The
name swift is also applied to certain
birds and lizards, but it is also the only
name by which this fleet-footed animal
of the plains is known.

Any description of the swift must
from the animal's nature be incomplete,
for a swift is always on the move when
a human being comes within range of
his vision, and it is claimed by the peo-
ple who live on the plains that a swift
has never yet been captured. This
claim may be untrue, but as a circum-
stance going to show the wild nature of
the animal I saw only two of them dur-
ing a four months' stay on the plains,
in a locality where they were said to be
rather numerous.

When I was first told about the swift
I was inclined to consider it a myth.
I said to the old plainsman who was
telling me a seemingly miraculous story
about its power to get over ground:
"Does the swift have a hole in the
ground like the other prairie animals,
where he may hide from pursuers?"
"Holy smoke!" ejaculated the old
man, "a swift would not give his four
legs for the Mammoth cave when it
comes to getting away from any fool
who has little enough sense to chase
him!"

"The swift must be a pretty good run-
ner," I remarked.
"Runner!" snorted the old man.
"Why, young fellow, the swift is the
only varmint on these plains that can
run off and leave a rifle ball!"

I saw at once that the old fellow had
great faith in the swift's powers of lo-
comotion, but it was not until I saw one
splitting the atmosphere across the
plains, rapidly putting distance be-
tween himself and me until he faded
away on the horizon of the level prairie,
that I fully realized the force of the
old man's remarks. I had seen an
antelope pursued by a pack of hungry
wolves and I had witnessed some pre-
tly good horse races, but that swift's
burst of speed against time was the
greatest run I ever beheld. When the
cowboys told me that the fastest horse
on foot could not catch the swift I
readily believed them.

This phenomenal flyer of the plains
resembles the fox somewhat, but is
taller and longer than Reynard, having
the same bushy tail. The thing that
first comes into one's mind at sight of
a swift is the fact that the animal is
constructed especially for the purpose
of running, and that nothing has been
omitted from its make-up that would
enhance its ability to cover distance.

The second swift I saw, as well as the
first, was running when I first saw him,
and engaged in the same business when
I last beheld him.

Thousands of cowboys and ranchmen
on the plains will bear testimony to the
fact that the swift can outrun the
fleetest horse. I saw a young Ken-
tuckian who had chased a swift on a
thoroughbred from the bluegrass coun-
try. He said of the chase:

"When I started I thought I was
chasing a young wolf, but before the
chase ended I concluded that I was on
the track of a streak of lightning that
had taken on the form of a wolf to test
the speed of my horse."

"Did you catch the swift?" I asked.
"I did not stay within sight of it for
more than three minutes," was the re-
ply.—Frank Andrews, in St. Louis
Globe-Democrat.

BRAVE CHILDREN.

Remarkable Exhibition of Courage
in a Small Boy.

An interesting story of childish hero-
ism is related by Mr. Spearman, attor-
ney for the department of justice at
Washington. He has been taking testi-
mony concerning some Indian depreda-
tion claims.

In taking such testimony, he says,
I frequently hear interesting stories
concerning early frontier life. I re-
member one case in particular—one of
the most remarkable exhibitions of
courage in an eight-year-old boy that I
have ever heard of. It occurred near
the town of Beaver, in Utah.

A ranch was attacked by Indians, and
a man who was visiting the ranchman
was killed, and for awhile it seemed as
if the whole party, wife and children,
would fall a prey to the savages. The
house was surrounded by the Indians,
and the people within defended them-
selves as best they could; but the ranch-
man, watching his opportunity, lowered
his little boy and his daughter, who was
but 12 years of age, from the back win-
dow and told them to try and make
their way to the canyon and follow it
down to Beaver, where they could ob-
tain help.

The children succeeded in reaching
the canyon unobserved, and with pres-
ence of mind and bravery which I think
remarkable for a child of that age, the
boy told his sister to follow one side
of the canyon and he would follow the
other, so that in case the Indians should
find one of them the other might not be
observed.

The children got safely to Beaver,
where a party was organized which
hastened to the rescue of the besieged.

At the beginning of the siege the In-
dians had heard the children in the
house, and, missing their voices, the
alert savages discovered that they had
gone and endeavored to overtake them;
but being unsuccessful and knowing that
help would soon arrive, they withdrew
before the rescuers could reach the
ranch.—Denver Republican.

—There are apple trees in England
which are known to have been in exist-
ence 375 years ago.

Three Shoes...

At JOHNSTON'S.

We call special attention to-day to three different
prices of shoes that we sell for ladies' wear.

AT \$2.50 PER PAIR.

An elegant Pointed Toe Dongola Kid Shoe that sells usually at from
\$3.00 to \$3.50 per pair—Button and Lace.

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A fine Dongola Kid Pointed Toe Shoe, that retails generally at \$2.50
to \$2.75 a pair—Button or Lace.

AT \$1.50 PER PAIR.

A nice Kid Button Pointed Toe Shoe on sale that often sells for
\$2.00 per pair.

Children's Shoes at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 per pair.
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Jackets and Capes...

Must all be closed out regardless of cost or value.

At Johnston's Dry Goods Store.

151 North Water Street.

Our Inauguration Day

MARCH 4,

We will be found in our new home, 159 EAST MAIN
STREET, with all the New Spring Clothing for all
mankind.

Call at once at our present location, 108 Prairie
street, and get the many Bargains in Clothing now
offered.

MEN'S \$ 5.00 SUITS AT \$3.00	All Goods Reduced In Price.
" 6.00 " 3.70	
" 8.00 " 6.00	
" 12.00 " 8.00	

CALL AT THE

...GEO. W. JONES & CO...

Clothing House

FOR BARGAINS. WE MEAN BUSINESS.

Now 108 East Prairie Street.

On and after March 4th at 159 EAST MAIN STREET, Build-
ing known as "The Fair."

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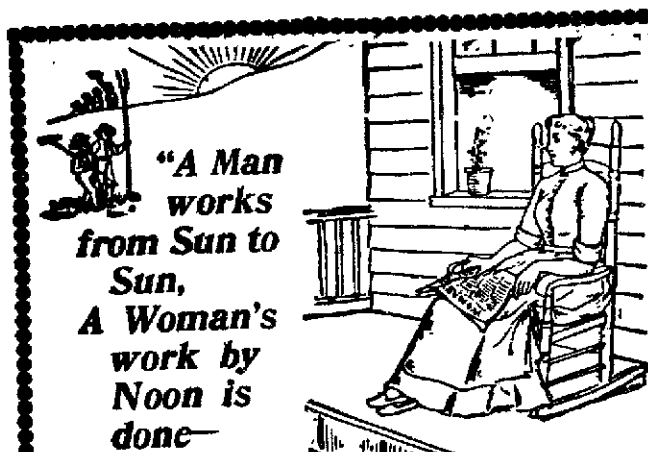


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WE GUARANTEE 4-C TO GIVE ABSOLUTE SATIS-
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"A Man
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Noon is
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Soap. It cleans quickly, easily,
well, the clothes you wear, the dishes
you use. In the laundry it saves clothes, and
makes your work light. Get a cake of

SANTA CLAUS SOAP

at once, and give it a trial. Sold everywhere.

Made only by

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AT

Savings Bank Store,

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Dress Goods Department.

1800 yds All Wool Dress Goods, price 50c a yard, for this special sale.....24c
1200 yds Black Henrietta, silk finish, price 75c a yard, for this special sale.....75c
900 yds fine Black Henrietta, price \$1.25, for this special sale.....17c
1800 yds Mohair Brilliantine in light colors, price 40c yd., for this special sale.....17c
1800 yds all wool Yankee Frocking Cloth, suitable for suit or pants, would be
cheap at 65c, for this special sale.....43c
1500 yds Pante Cloth, price 50c, for this special sale.....25c
2500 yds. of Worsted Plaids for Dresses at 44c yd.
3500 " Indigo Blue Calico, very best, at 44c yd.
1800 " Henrietta Cashmere, all colors, 36 inches wide,
at 16c yd.
5 dozen Ladies' Wrappers at 48c.
5 dozen Ladies' Wrappers at 65c.

Clothing Department.

3 dozen Men's Black Cheviot Suits, price \$8.00—for this sale.....\$3.75
3 dozen Men's Fancy All Wool Suits, price \$11.00—for this sale.....6.95
6 dozen Men's All Wool Pants, all colors, in heavy weight, price \$2.75—for
this sale.....1.95
4 dozen Heavy Cottonado Pants, price \$1.00—for this sale.....75c
5 dozen Men's fine Outing Flannel Nightgowns, price \$1.50—for this sale.....40c
5 dozen Men's Muslin Gowns, fancy bosom and cuffs, for this sale.....25c
25 dozen Men's Outing Flannel Overshirts, full size, at.....25c

Shoe Department.

We just received a new line of Men's, Ladies' and Misses' Shoes, which we
will sell for this sale at a Great Bargain.
50 pairs Slippers, sizes 3 and 4 only, price 75c, to close out at.....25c
36 pair Ladies' Dongola Button Shoes, price \$1.75 and \$2.00, for this sale.....\$1.10
36 pair Boys' Fine Calf Skin Shoes, razor toe, price \$1.50, for this sale.....95c
36 pair Child's Shoes at.....\$1.18
72 pair Men's Fine Calf Skin Shoes, razor toe, at.....\$1.18
72 pair Ladies' Rubbers at.....20c

Cloak Department.

48 Black, Fine Jackets, regular price \$10 and \$12. Your
choice for this sale.....\$3.50
A fine Beaver Jacket, price \$250, to be sold at a reasonable
offer. Come and get a bargain.

Thousands of other articles which we will offer at
A GREAT BARGAIN.

Remember the Place—THE SAVINGS BANK STORE
corner North Water and Park streets.

YOURS RESPECTFULLY,

SAVINGS BANK STORE.

SIGHTS IN ARMENIA.

The Kurdish Residents and Their
Big Dogs.

The paramount impression remaining
on one's mind after having traveled in
Armenia is that if you were to go over
the same ground again to-morrow there
would always be the charm of the un-
expected to which to look forward. I
am speaking of the time before the Kurds.
When an Englishman appeared upon the
scene everyone—Turks, Kurds, Ar-
menians, devil worshippers and so on—
got ready to help him. I never saw
such willingness to guide and direct
a stranger in my life. But it seldom
took a more practical form. Having
done everything (in theory) that was
necessary, the Turk or Kurd or devil
worshiper went back to his hut and con-
sidered it done in fact.

And there remains in my mind to this
day the sense of deep injury and vivid
annoyance which I used to experience
when, toward the end of a long ride,
weary, travel-sore and hungry, I would
pull up my apology for a mule and ask
some stalwart mountaineer how far it
was to the village where I intended to
pass the night. He would blandly as-
sure me that it was only an hour's jour-
ney and depart. At the end of an hour
there would not be what I once heard
an exasperated missionary describe as
"a scintilla of a village in sight." Then
I would meet another man. "Oh, yes,
Effendi, you'll get there in three quar-
ters of an hour." The tired dogs and
horses and mules would prick their
ears and start on again, as if they, too,
had heard the welcome words. Three-
quarters of an hour later a downcast
assemblage of men and animals would
gaze over the plain in the fast-falling
dusk, vainly looking for a village.

After this had been repeated some
half a dozen times, however, just as we
were sorrowfully gathering up our
reins in our chilled fingers, preparing
to push on with bitter hearts and empty
bellies, 20 or 30 rough-haired, ferocious
Kurd dogs would emerge from the
gloom, circle around us and bite at our
riding boots by way of welcome. These
dogs belonged to the Kurds who had
settled in villages and were enormous
brutes. They usually wore huge col-
lars, studded with nails, so that if a wolf
flew at their throats he was received
by a mouthful of sharp points and could
not get a grip.

I once bought a magnificent Kurd
dog for four shillings. He was so fierce
that I dared not go near him. Kindness,
I thought, would have its due effect on
him in a few days, so I had a rope fast-
ened to his collar and gave the other
end of the rope to a mounted Zaptieh.
The last thing I saw of the dog was a
frightened horse and Zaptieh disap-
pearing in the distance, and the animal
fetching a compass for his native vil-
lage with what Artemus Ward once de-
scribed as "a select assortment of
trouser patterns" in his mouth.

These dogs are so intelligent that
they seem to understand the slightest
sign from their masters. I once saw
my man buy a fowl for our evening
meal from a Kurd and pay down the
money. Then he asked for the fowl.
"Oh, there it is, Effendi," said the Kurd,
pointing to a limp mass of feathers
standing on one leg just outside the
hut; "all you have to do is to catch and
kill it." My man, like Agag, "walked
delicately" toward the fowl, and the
limp bundle of feathers immediately
"put out" in the direction of Sivas.
My man went after it, sword in hand,
with the full intention of slicing off
the fowl's head and bringing back its
gory body in triumph. A big Kurd dog
immediately started after my man, who
gained rapidly upon the fowl. Just as
he was about to slice off its head an
ominous growl from the rear warned
him that he must turn and defend him-
self. The fowl stopped, limply watched
the struggle and gained her second
wind. When the exasperated man had
driven off the dog he again pursued the
fowl, which seemed to remember an
important engagement in the direction
of Diarbekir. Again the fowl was near-
ly overtaken; again came an ominous
growl, the gleam of magnificent teeth
through the gloom, and again the fowl
limply presided as umpire while the
combatants fought. When the dog was driven
away the fowl started off in the direc-
tion of Samsoun and my man returned
to the hut with a piteous request for
stealing plaster. I made my supper
that evening off the aged and moldy
heel of a Dutch cheese.—London Chronicle.

A Wonderful Watersport.

On the night of the 25th of November
last a watersport burst over the city of
Povungua, on the island of Saint
Michael, one of the Azores, and accord-
ing to the report accompanying a peti-
tion for aid, which has been sent abroad,
almost in an instant the deluge of water
rose above the roofs of the low houses.
The homes of thousands were de-
stroyed, a great loss of life occurred,
and on its way to the sea the water
plowed a broad, deep channel nine
miles long.—Youth's Companion.

Worms in Oranges.

No one is surprised to find a worm in
an apple, and occasionally in other
fruits, but it is a surprise to learn that
the orange is getting to be infested as
well as the rest. The worm in the
orange is named by the entomologist
trypteta ludens. So far as has been dis-
covered it has not been found in any
of the oranges grown in the different
parts of the United States, although
it is said it is getting common in the
fruit grown beyond our Mexican bor-
ders.—Chicago Tribune.

A Valuable Book.

"This book on swimming is very use-
ful in sudden emergencies."
"Is it?"

"I should say so. If you are drown-
ing, turn to page 103, and there you'll
see how to save yourself."—Tit-Bits.

—Shakespeare's longest play is "Ham-
let"; it contains 4,558 lines; the shortest
is "The Comedy of Errors," with 1,807
lines.

Failed Oysters.

For many years past the seaside oys-
termen of the eastern shore have fat-
tened their oysters by putting them
in fresh-water floats and permitting
them to remain there several weeks be-
fore shipping them to market. This
is especially true of Chincoteague
island, where many large floats have
been constructed along the shore.
These are filled with fresh water that
is conveyed by pipes from pumps and
wells. Last fall several Chincoteague
oystermen tried the experiment of put-
ting oysters in the fresh-water lakes
that abound on the island. It proved
entirely successful, and now nearly
all the oystermen on the island are
using these lakes for the purpose of
fattening their oysters for market, get-
ting at least one dollar per barrel more
for them than for those taken from the
surrounding bodies of salt water. This
process is said to fatten the oysters,
and it gives them a plump appearance,
which has the desired effect of securing
fancy prices in all the eastern markets.
—Richmond (Va.) State.

Savings Banks in England.

In England about one in 21 of the
population has an account in a savings
bank, in Wales, one in 40; in Scotland,
one in 12, and in Ireland, one in 100.
The average amount owing to English
depositors is £1 11s 4d; to the Welsh,
18s; to the Scotch, £1 17s 5d, and to the
Irish, 7s 10d.—N. Y. Sun.

Bold Thieves.

Thieves threw a hook and line through
an open window of a house at Montrey,
Mex., and stole the bedclothes under
which the owner of the house was sleep-
ing.—Chicago Times-Herald.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Re-
ward for any case of Catarrh that can-
not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props. Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F.
J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and be-
lieve him perfectly honorable in all busi-
ness transactions, and financially able to
carry out any obligations made by their
firm.

WEST & TRUAX.

Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN,
Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken inter-
nally, acting directly upon the blood
and mucous surfaces of the system.
Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all Drug-
gists. Testimonials free.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

A lot was sold on the public square in
Clinton last week for \$6750, probably the
highest price ever paid in that city for a
bare lot. There is an old building on the
lot, but it is of no special value.

Lost—A dear little child who made
home happy by its smiles. Any one to
think, it might have been saved had the
parents only kept in the house. One
Minute Cough Cure, the infallible rem-
edy for cough, A. J. Stoner & Son,
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The business men of Clinton are agitat-
ing the subject of a rival light company,
some of them claiming that light charges
are excessive under the present regime.

Constipation in its worst forms, dys-
pepsia, sick headache, biliousness and
derangement of the liver are readily
cured by DeWitt's Little Early Risers.
These little pills never gripe. Small
pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Stoner &
Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A little daughter, 16 months old, of
Mr. and Mrs. Gleason Thorn, of Onango,
fell into a pail of water and died from the
effects.

All the different forms of skin
troubles, from chapped hands to eczema
and indolent ulcers can be readily
cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve,
the great pile cure. A. J. Stoner & Son,
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Mr. and Mrs. Foley, of Lincoln, are on
the Azores islands, which they reached
January 30.

Farmers near Monticello complain very
much because rabbits are gnawing their
young fruit trees. Numbers of young
orchards have suffered extensively from
the depredations of the little pests.



In our great

grandmother's
day women did
not have to sub-
mit to the exami-
nations and local
treatment so uni-
formly insisted
upon by present-
day physicians.
Perhaps they
were naturally
healthier—anyway, doctors did not insist
on such things so much. That sort of
treatment was not a "fad" as it is to-day.
Many a woman goes on suffering tortures
in silence because her natural modesty
prevents her taking the step she knows
will follow when she calls on a doctor.
There is relief for these women and oth-
ers. It is in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Pres-
cription. This is an absolutely certain
remedy for all the weaknesses and dis-
eases of woman's peculiar organs. It is
the preparation of an eminent and suc-
cessful specialist—a regularly graduated,
experienced and skilled physician, who
has for over thirty years made a specialty
of diseases of women. This is the only
medicine for women that emanates from
such a source. It is sold by all good drug-
gists, and its sales amount to more than
the combined sales of all other prepa-
rations designed for the same purposes.

HEAD HEAVY? Do you feel sleepy and sluggish
all day? Is your head aching? Do you have
bad dreams? Do you have a little exertion
tire you out? Are you short-winded? Do you
have palpitation of the heart? If you do, you
need Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. All
of these symptoms come from constipation more
frequently than they do from any other cause.
Ninety-nine times out of a hundred Dr. Pierce's
Favorite Prescription will cure you by causing con-
stipation. The "Pellels" are the only absolutely
certain remedy for constipation. They are
they are sugar-coated granules, and a little
water holds forty of them. One "Pellet" is a
the laxative and two a mild cathartic.

THE LAST CALL...

Our sale will come to a close now—we
need the room. We have ordered a large
Spring Stock this season and we must have
room. We don't want to carry any winter
goods over for next winter, and if prices
will make room we will make room. You
can make big interest on your money. We
need the money bad enough to make such
a big cut. What we have left we will al-
most give away. Remember the old adage
—"Make hay while the sun shines," so
come at once and see what we have.

YOURS,

CHEAP CHARLEY,

...The Reliable Clothier...

J. B. Bullard,

FUNERAL DIRECTOR.

SYNDICATE BLOCK, NORTH MAIN ST.,

Where everything pertaining to the funeral business is furnished and attended to in the highest
style of art. Calls day or night will receive prompt attention. In connection a receiving hall
Residence 252 West William street. Residence Telephone 125. Office, 125.

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tick-
ets at greatly reduced rates to the following
points:

On Feb. 23, March 28, April 28 and 30th, May
4th and 18th, settlers' one way tickets to point
south at very low rates.
Winter Tourist tickets are now on sale to the
principal winter resorts in the South and
Southeast.
Improved Dining Car Service on the Wabash
Meals will now be served A. la Carte on a
dining car on the Wabash line. This will be
great accommodation to passengers as it will
enable them to select from the bill of fare just
what they want and pay only for what they get.
Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from a
station east of Mississippi River, except at
points north of Bement on Chicago Division
Sundays at very low rates—good going and
returning Sunday only.
Home-seekers' excursion to principal point
in the west, northwest, south and south-
west, on the first and third Tuesdays of every month
at one fare plus \$1 round trip. Tickets good re-
turning every Tuesday and Friday within three
weeks. Stop overs granted on going trip.
Carson City, Nev., account Carson City-Fitzsim-
mons entertainment; \$74.00 round trip. Ticket
on sale March 12th and 13th—good returning to
March 23rd.
German Baptist annual meeting, Frederick
Md., May 3.
Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y.,
August 21st to 24th.
Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga
Tenn., in July.
National Educational Association, Milwaukee
July 23 to 26th.
B. Y. P. O. Elks, Minneapolis, July 4th and 5th
Twenty-seventh Bunde Turn Fest, St. Louis
May 6 to 11.
Epworth League, Toronto, in July.
San Antonio, Texas, account Cattlemen's Con-
vention, Sept. 28th and 29th; good return-
ing till March 15th. \$30.25 round trip.

The Wabash "California Flyer."
Quickest and best service to CALIFORNIA is
now offered by the Wabash Railroad. A connec-
tion with the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe
Railway. Vestibuled sleeping cars through to
Los Angeles without change, making twenty-one
hours better time from St. Louis than any other
line, and corresponding time from other points.
For full information regarding dates of sail-
ings of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive
advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Pol-
lock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash rail-
road, Decatur, Ills.

1879—ESTABLISHED—1870

Chilson's Steam Dye House,

134 S. State St., Decatur, Ill.

Clean or Dye Every De-
scription of Ladies' and
Gents' Clothing.

The best appliances and a thorough knowl-
edge of the business enables us to re-dye and
finish all kinds of goods in a manner un-
rivalled anywhere. Goods sent to us by mail or
express receives immediate attention.

134 South State Street, BACK OF POW-
ERS' GRAND OCEAN HOUSE, Decatur, Ill.
July 27-dw

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Rolly Springs, FLORIDA

Route to
Through Sleeping Car daily from St. Louis to
Jacksonville via Illinois Central and Missis-
sippi River, Ala. and Atlanta, Ga. Sleeping Car
service in connection therewith from Chicago and
St. Louis City.

CALIFORNIA

—VIA—
NEW ORLEANS.

Pullman Buffet Sleeper every Tuesday and
Saturday night from Chicago, connecting with
the Southern Pacific's "Red Sea" Limited, for
Los Angeles and San Francisco. Pullman Tour-
ist Sleeping Car every Wednesday 11:40 AM
WITHOUT CHANGE from Chicago to San
Francisco.

TOUR OF ALL MEXICO...

In the Central Route, under the auspices of the
American Tourist Association, will leave Chi-
cago JANUARY 19th, 1897, FEBRUARY 27th,
MAY 1st, 1897, and SEPTEMBER 1st, 1897.
Tickets include all expenses, baggage, trans-
fers, and Dining Car Fare, Hotels, Car-
riages, etc.

Mardi Gras at New Orleans

March 1st and 2d, 1897.

Announcement of reduced rates for the ex-
cursion will be made in due season, particulars
of which can be learned of your home agent.

Home-seekers SOUTH

Excursions SOUTH
From January to May, 1897, inclusive, at One
Fare for the Round Trip, plus \$2.00 for the
points South from stations west of Iowa City.
Inclusive on the 1st and 3d Monday of each
month, east of Iowa. Falls and northern route,
Ill., one day later, viz.: 1st and 3d Tues-
day. Home-seekers' tickets will also be sold from
St. Louis north of Cairo and east of Chicago to
points on Illinois Central west of Iowa City, and
from all stations on the Central Route north
of Cairo to certain points.

WEST AND SOUTHWEST

on the 1st and 3d Tuesday of each month.
Tickets and full information concerning all of
the above can be had of agents of the Central
Route and connecting lines.
A. H. HANSON, Gen'l Pass'r Agent, Chicago.

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

Editor Porter, the new president's
secretary, is described as a tall, grace-
ful man, with a winning smile and a
hearty laugh. He is witty, friendly and
generous, never offending people on
personal grounds.

Abner C. Goodell, Sr., of Salem,
Mass., who celebrated his ninety-second
birthday recently, is said to have
built the first cracker machine, a ma-
chine to shave out leg stock, and the
first printing press to print both sides
of a sheet at once.

John W. Gates, who figured so
prominently in the steel pool, called a
meeting of the campaign contributors
in 1892, and was disgusted to find its
secret proceedings fully reported next
morning by a reporter whom he mis-
took for a capitalist.

Mr. Zangwill and his brother, who
writes under the name of "ZZ," do their
literary work at opposite sides of a
writing table, and, working at white
heat, they throw the sheets on the floor,
gathering up and sorting out the de-
bris when the day's work is over.

The following women are said to
be the six wealthiest in the world.
Senor Isidora Cousino, \$200,000,000;
Betty Green, \$50,000,000; Baroness Bun-
dett-Coutts, \$20,000,000; Mme. Bar-
rios, \$15,000,000; Miss Mary Garrett,
\$10,000,000; Mrs. Woleska, \$10,000,000.

France's senate, which sits in the
Luxembourg palace, has struck against
having any more statues of bald-head-
ed poets set up in the Luxembourg gar-
dens. It draws the line at the hairless
Paul Verlaine—the last poet honored.
Theodore de Banville, Henri Murger,
and Leconte de Lisle, being also bald.

Pastor "Tom" Spurgeon, of the
Metropolitan Tabernacle, says the Lon-
don Daily News, took his little son to
witness the festivities at Spurgeon's
Orphanage. No doubt Master Spur-
geon has a very happy home, but when
he saw the array of toys, Christmas
trees, and the general jollity in the in-
stitution, which his grandfather found-
ed he looked up in his father's face and
made the unfilial remark: "O, don't
I wish I was an orphan!"

TWO SETS OF GIRLS.

Flowers and Weeds Flourish in the
Same Soil.

There is in one of our largest cities
an immense shop owned by a man emi-
nent in good works, as well as in busi-
ness and in politics. Its employees fall
naturally into little clubs or coteries,
the men and women of similar tastes
often going to spend their summer vaca-
tions together.

Last August four girls from this store
went to a seacoast village in New Eng-
land. Their pale faces and eager de-
light in the sea and fields touched the
hearts of the old fishermen and their
wives, who speedily made friends with
them and welcomed them to their little
homes.

The girls were uneducated, but they
were simple, sincere and modest as the
finest gentlewomen. They fished
roved and walked, striving to under-
stand the new world around them.
When their holiday was over they went
back to town, rosy and strong, their
brains full of new ideas, and the richer
for life by a few faithful friends.

Four other girls in their turn went
to the same town. They had spent their
savings in perfume and cheap silks.
A coarse perfume surrounded them,
they wore gilt bangles and rhinestone
necklaces. Each had her hired "bike"
on which she raced incessantly up and
down in front of the hotel "scorching"
and even "jockeying," as on a horse,
bouncing up and down on her seat
and shouting to her companions.

When the daily railroad train came
in they were always at the station
bareheaded, joking with the conductor
or brakemen. The villagers watched
them astounded; but they were not criti-
cal girls. Their only ambition was to
"catch a beau." The idle men of the
village soon gathered around them, and
they went back to town more vulgar and
nearer ruin, than when they came to.
This is a literally true incident
shows that the country will give back
to you the crop which you plant in it.
The pure air and beauty of nature as
stimulating to the growth of weeds
as of flowers. If you choose weeds they
can be gathered at any roadside.
Youth's Companion.

Gentlemen, who wear shabby over-
coats, pants, coat or vest when you
can get your clothing re-dyed,
cleaned and pressed and repaired
look equal to new by taking them
Miller's Dye House. Work warranted
first-class. 145 North Main street.

Chicago, Pa., "Herald." Richard V.
sell reports One Minute Cough Cure
told us that it cured his whole family,
terrible coughs and colds, after
other so-called cures had failed enter-
Mr. Vinell said it assisted his child
through a very bad stage of measles.
One Minute Cough Cure makes ex-
tortion very easy and rapid. A. J.
Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and
N. L. Krone.

A number of horses about Pekin
been stricken by paralysis and set-
had to be shot.
Minutes seem like hours when a
stake. Croup gives no time to
for a doctor; delay may mean de-
One Minute Cough Cure gives im-
mediate relief and insure recovery.
The harmless remedy that produces im-
mediate results. A. J. Stoner & Son,
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The Baptist church at Cornell is
aid with 27 incandescent electric lights
16 candle power each.

A torpid liver means a bad com-
mon, bad breath, indigestion and
quent headaches. To avoid such
pains take DeWitt's Little
Pills, the famous little pills.
Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and
N. L. Krone.

Take the Vandana last train to P.
two hours and fifty minutes. Lea.
11:22 a. m.

BULL'S Cough Syrup

That heritage of rich and poor, has saved
many a life. For Throat and Lung affections
it is invaluable. It never fails to cure Cough,
Cold, Croup and Whooping-Cough. DR. BULL'S
COUGH SYRUP is the best. Price 25 cents.

Small text at the bottom of the Bull's Cough Syrup advertisement.

CHEAP
CHARLEY,
Reliable Clothier...

EXCURSIONS.

are now on sale to the
ports in the South and

Mississippi River, except 1
nt on Chicago Division
rates—good going and

account Corbett-Fitzsinger. 40 round trip. Ticket 13th—good returning 11.

Association, Milwaukee
Memphis, July 4th and 5th

abash Railroad, is con-
807. Tickets include all expe-
sleeping and Dining-Car Fare

March 1st and 2nd
Announcement of reduced rates
will be made in due season

S Steam Excursions 50

Say Every De-
of Ladies' and

Tickets and full information of the above can be had of agents

Take the Vandana test train
two hours and fifty minutes.
11:42 a. m.

Peoria, the route, to come
above line. Information will be gl
by application to Agent or A. G.
Gen'l Pass. Agent, Evansville Ind.

Union Depot, Kansas City, Mo.
Call on or address W. L. Smith,
or T. Pentwell, 121 East William st.

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Most Serviceable and
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An Elegant Assortment in all
kinds of Leather, Alligator, Seal,
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PRICES RANGING FROM

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The Best Values for the Money
ever shown in Decatur.

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Our House has been Established Over 20 Years at
156 EAST MAIN STREET.

FIT YOUR FEET

With a pair of our

New Spring Style Shoes

We have such a large and varied stock of up-to-date shoes
to select from that we can give you size without any trouble
in any style which you may select.

We will continue the sale on Broken Lots which we have
been advertising until every pair is sold. Remember these
goods are all new, fresh goods, and include such goods as
HANAN & SONS.

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148 East Main St. Sign of the Brass Foot Tracks.

B. F. BOBO, Manager.

NOW OPEN.

Finest Equipped
Photographic Studio
in the State
outside of Chicago.

...SLEETH...

Room 522 Powers' Block.

BRISTLES IN YOUR TEETH *

Are not pleasant, but you'll get
them every time you use a poor
toothbrush.

Get A BRUSH that is built
right—costs a little more, but
gives satisfaction.

Try our 25c Brush.

KING'S DRUG STORE,

LOCAL NEWS.

Drink cherry phosphate at Irwin's.
Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.
Read Riley & Mann's Bargain Bulletin.
Irwin's fountain is now open for the
season.

Hot water bottles, all sizes, 75c each, at
West's drug store.—19-dtf

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made
by Jacob Kook.

Read Riley & Mann's Bargain Bulletin.
—48d6

Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at
the Opera House Drug store.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made,
Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Little Diana cigar; business men's
ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50.

L. Chodas' News House.—14-dtf

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of
bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent
cigar, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 dt.

Take the Vandalia-Pennsylvania for
Washington, D. C.; reduced rates for
the inauguration.

Largest and finest stock of face powders
in Decatur at West's drug store, all at out
prices.—19-dtf

The funeral of the late Edward Chapman
will take place from the A. M. E. church
on Thursday at 3 p. m.

Decatur Steam Bakery bread and Mc-
Kinney's St. Louis bread at the Econ-
omy.—17-dtf

Pure gum camphor, prevents moths,
lowest price ever made; 50c a pound.
West's drug store.—19-dtf

It has been decided to give the opera
"Pinafore" some time in the latter part
of April for the benefit of the Woman's
Relief Corps.

The members of the Woman's Foreign
Missionary society will meet tomorrow
afternoon at 2:30 at the parsonage of the
First M. E. church on West Main street.

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds
of Lan Culp, the old reliable seedsman
fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed
in bulk. No. 223 North Main street.
Durfee & Culp.—1-d&wtf

Greenberry Martin has finally consented
to become a candidate once more for
poundmaster. He had thought of retir-
ing from public office, but he dislikes to
go about without the star.

In the county court last evening Eu-
gene Cusins, on trial for beating his
wife, was found guilty on four counts
by the jury, and fined \$20. He had no
money and went back to jail.

The members of the Y. M. C. A. basket
ball team will go to Springfield on March
17 to play a return game with the team
which was here a short time ago. A game
will be played this week at the Y. M. C.
A. gymnasium with the Mueller team.

The members of the Christian Endeavor
society of the First Methodist church
were entertained last evening by
Miss Edith Starr at the home of her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Starr, in Riv-
erside Place. There were about eighty
young people present.

The Senior Endeavor Society of the
First M. E. church will give a social in
the lecture room of the church on Thurs-
day evening, March 4th. The social is
more especially for the new members who
were taken into the society recently. A
good program has been prepared and re-
freshments will be served.

The Siler-Hogan special attending the
Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight will leave Chi-
cago at 6 p. m., Saturday, March 18. De-
catur people can join them at either St.
Louis or Kansas City by leaving Decatur
at 4 p. m. via Wabash railroad, same day.
Berthe can be reserved or any informa-
tion had by applying to C. A. Follock, P.
and T. A., Wabash railroad.—3-d6s

PERSONAL MENTION.

—W. R. Bresie went to Chicago last
night.

—J. W. Dill, of Marco, was in the city
to day.

—Mrs. Lillie Cendell has returned from
Bloomington.

—Miss Jane Roby is visiting friends in
Springfield.

—Justice W. W. Peddecord, who has
been ill for several weeks, is better.

—Marshall Mason has gone to Wash-
ington to attend the inauguration.

—Miss Madge Hays is in Peoria vis-
iting her brother, Harry Hays, and fam-
ily.

—S. T. Weir, special state agent for the
Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance com-
pany, is in the city.

—Rev. Sophie Gibb, who conducted the
funeral of the late Alfred Maxwell, is
a guest at the residence of F. B. Tait.

—Charles S. Hankins was at Peoria
yesterday on a business trip. Two inches
of snow fall there and the outcra were
out with the jangling sleigh bells.

—Coroner Bendure has gone to St.
Joe, Mo., to visit his sister, Mrs. William
Davis, who is ill. Mr. Davis is also
quite sick.

—Edward Judson, of Tacoma, Wash-
ington, who came to the city on account
of the illness of his father, C. O. Jud-
son, left yesterday for Chicago. He will
visit in Decatur before returning to his
home.

—L. J. Davis, with his son, Leslie, and
infant daughter, Ruth, will leave for
Chicago to-morrow noon. The Davis
home at Oak Park will be retained, and
the motherless children will be with
their father.

—Louis White left this morning for
Chicago to be with Attorney Hugh Crea
who is ill in that city. Mr. Crea's condi-
tion remains about the same. He is no
worse but has not shown any marked
signs of improvement.

—B. F. Gring writes from Storm Lake,
Iowa, to renew his subscription to the
Republican. Mr. Gring left Macon
county a year ago with his family. He
writes that he is well pleased with the
Northwest county of Iowa, and does
not hesitate to recommend Buena Vista
county to his friends.

FUNERAL OF A. MAXWELL.

Held This Morning Universalist Church
and was Largely Attended—Ser-
vices by Rev. Gibb.

The funeral of the late Alfred Maxwell
was held this morning at 10 o'clock from
the Universalist church and was largely
attended. There were many beautiful
floral offerings. Music was rendered by
a choir composed of Mrs. F. P. Howard,
Miss Beatrice Howard, A. Lindamood and
Harry Kopley. The services were con-
ducted by Rev. Sophie Gibb of Boone,
Iowa, formerly pastor of the Universalist
church of this city. She was assisted by
Rev. W. C. Miller of the Congregational
church. Rev. Gibb preached a brief fune-
ral sermon. The burial was at Green-
wood cemetery. The pall bearers were
Peter Loeb, O. B. Gorin, George Bright,
F. M. Cox, V. G. Hatch and W. T. Wells.

BANQUET TO BAYARD.

The Mansion House the Scene of an Un-
paralleled Function.

London, March 3.—Not in many years
has the mansion house contained a gather-
ing so representative of British achieve-
ments as assembled last night to honor
Mr. Bayard. The interior of the mansion
house was brilliantly lit. At a few
minutes before 7:30 o'clock Mr. Bayard
arrived and was received with marked
signs of respected attention. The guests
proceeded to the Egyptian hall, Lord
Mayor Phillips escorting Bayard. The
lord mayor seated himself in the center of
the table of honor, Bayard on his right
hand and Lord Salisbury on his left.
Over 300 sat down. It was a remarkable
gathering and in its distinguished per-
sonnel perhaps never before equalled in
Great Britain.

Smoked bloaters, herring and halibut
Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone
344.—8d6s

Class Entertainment.
The young ladies of Mrs. Foster's Sun-
day school class gave a surprise party last
evening to their teacher at her home on
North Monroe street. The party came at
6 o'clock in the afternoon and passed the
evening, supper being served at 7 o'clock.
The guests included the following: Misses
Emma and Mabel Travis, Nettie and Nel-
lie Warren, Marie and Amelia Cretton,
Lizzie Neighbor, Battle Paxton, Lizzie
Jampson, Villa Dickinson, Gertrude Mul-
tory, Lena and Pearl Huffaker, Elvie
Long, Amy Hovey and Mrs. Travis and
Bert Chasebrook.

MacKerel 5, 10 and 25 cents; everybody
can have one. Pearl Oyster and Fish
Co., telephone 344.—3-d6t

Moving in a New Store.
The Busher store room on East Main
street recently vacated by the Fair store,
has been remodeled and George W. Jones
is moving in his stock of dry goods.

Seed Distribution.
New seed store complete stock, fresh
garden, field and flower seeds. Leon &
Morris, 138 East Wind street.—9-d&wtf

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes.
Take Contra-Cold Tablets, guaranteed
or money refunded by all druggists, 20c.

ARREST OF KINCAID.

Caught in Virginia for the Murder of Tom
Hickman.

A telegram from Richmond, Va., an-
nounces the arrest near that city of Lloyd
Kincaid, accused of the murder of Thomas
Hickman, at Monticello, Ill., in June,
1896. The message says: Before he re-
turns to the prairie state an opportunity
will be given him of witnessing part, at
least, of the ceremonies incident to the in-
auguration of Major McKinley as presi-
dent.

Kincaid's arrest was made after years
of persistent detective work. Attorney
C. F. Mansfield found that Kincaid and
Hickman had been paying attention to
the same woman, and that Kincaid was
jealous. But there was an end of the
clew, until recently a revolver, watch and
handkerchief were found buried together.

The revolver belonged to Kincaid and the
watch and handkerchief to the dead man.
Sheriff A. Shively of Platt county, Ill.,
and Attorney Mansfield brought the
accused man to Richmond and Tuesday
Governor O'Ferrall signed the necessary
requisition.

Shively and Mansfield spent yesterday
in seeing the town, taking Kincaid with
them. They say they will stay in Wash-
ington long enough to give the prisoner
and themselves a chance to take in the in-
auguration. Kincaid, Fales and Otis
Woolington are to be tried at Monticello
for the murder of Hickman.

RUMORED PRIZE FIGHT.

The Mt. Zion Affair Reported in Decatur
Last Night Did Not Amount to
Anything.

It was rumored in this city last night
that there was to be a prize fight at Mt.
Zion. A good many inquiries were made
by those who are interested in such things
but nothing definite could be learned. It
was stated that Dennis Dinger, a saloon
keeper of this city, and George Fisher
were to fight to a finish and that they had
left in the afternoon for Mt. Zion. Dinger
said today that the fact of the matter
was that he and Fisher expected to give a
little sparring match before the members
of an athletic club at Mt. Zion. The
affair was talked around a good deal and
when the men got to Mt. Zion it was
feared that arrests would be made so the
match was called off and the men re-
turned to Decatur.

Not a Candidate.

W. H. Black authorizes the statement
that he has not been, is not now and will
not be a candidate for city attorney at the
approaching municipal election. He as-
serts that he has no ambition in that di-
rection, but is grateful to those who have
expressed themselves as favoring his nomi-
nation. He does not know how the story
got out that he was in the race for the
office. He had never intimated that he
would be a candidate. He says he is not
after any office and is content to continue
in the practice of law in the same old
way.

Gold Standard Democrats.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 3.—The
gold standard Democratic state conven-
tion is in session here to nominate candi-
dates for supreme court justice and uni-
versity regent. The attendance is not
large but it includes many life long in-
dustrial Democrats.

Foot Ball Saturday.

Two high school foot ball teams will
play a game next Saturday afternoon at
the Edward street grounds. The boys are
behind on the last game they played and
they will charge an admission of ten
cents in the hopes of making up their
loss.

Got Cold.

At an early hour this morning the tem-
perature took a rapid drop, forming ice
and congealing the mud which was so un-
pleasant yesterday. It is pronounced that
the weather will be more spring like to-
morrow, but it will be unsafe to begin
making garden yet awhile.

Insurance Losses Adjusted.

The adjustment by the recent fire in
the Masonic Temple building was com-
pleted today. The loss on the building
was placed at \$327. Loss on the stock of
goods at the Ottenheimer & Co. clothing
store, \$2400.

Incendiary Fire—Loss of Life.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 3.—An in-
cendiary fire this morning in Mrs. Ferrill's
boarding house resulted in the death of
John Henderson and his 13-year-old son,
Perry, and the probable fatal burning of
James Brady.

Ill at Philadelphia.

J. Edward Saxton, who went to Phila-
delphia to visit friends, has been ill in that
city. He has been suffering with an at-
tack of the grip but is said to be now re-
covering.

Terrific Gale in England.

London, March 3.—Terrific gales pre-
vail inland and on all coasts. Much dam-
age has resulted. There have been many
wrecks. No loss of life.

At the regular monthly meeting of the
Woman's club Friday, March 5, the art
and literature division will give a poster's
entertainment. Miss Beulah Mitchell of
the Chicago Art Institute, will lecture on
poster art. Poster girls will be in attend-
ance. After the program a poster lunch
will be served. A small admission fee
will be charged at the doors to non mem-
bers. All are cordially invited to attend.

Tomorrow evening the members of the
Young Men's Sunday evening club of the
Congregational church will be entertained
at a banquet at the home of Clarence
Walt.

THE INAUGURATION.

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over the charming mistress of the execu-
tive mansion of Illinois.

Billy Bryan on Deck.

Washington, March 3.—William J. Bry-
an is in the city presumably to witness
the inauguration of his successful oppo-
nent in the presidential race. Mark Han-
na and Mr. Bryan met in the marble
room of the senate chamber and were in-
troduced by a Republican senator. Both
gentlemen shook hands cordially. "I am
glad to meet you, Mr. Bryan," said Han-
na, "even if you did keep me awake a
good many nights last fall." And I am
pleased to meet you, Mr. Hanna," Bryan
replied, "although I shall always believe
that if you had not been in charge of the
Republican campaign I would have been
elected."

THE OLD CONGRESS.

Business of National Importance Under
Consideration—The Last Hours.

Washington, March 3.—The house is
still in session as on legislative day of
March 2. When called to order this morn-
ing after seven hours' recess the galleries
were filled with visitors. First in order
came the Indian bill. Flynn, a delegate
from Oklahoma, strenuously opposed its
acceptance, as recommended by conferees
of the senate amendment to detach the
Osage and Kansas Indian reservation
from Oklahoma, and attach them to In-
dian territory.

Cannon of Illinois, said: "If there is
any place on this continent where orga-
nized hell is in force, it is among the five
civilized tribes of the Indian territory"

and expressed the hope that the amend-
ment would not prevail. Pendleton of
Texas, said he was agreed as to the loca-
tion of hell but insisted if there is a hotter
hell than that in Indian territory it was
in Oklahoma.

The conferees of the house and senate
reached an agreement on all points in the
postal appropriation bill. The senate
amendment added \$182,000 to allow for
the salaries of postal inspectors at
twelve, fourteen and sixteen hundred dol-
lars.

Monetary Conference Bill Signed.
The president this afternoon signed the
international monetary conference bill.

The Immigration Bill.
The house passed the immigration bill
over the president's veto by a vote of 153
to 37.

The president signed the bill to allow
the bottling of spirits in bond.

The senate worked away on the confer-
ence reports on appropriation bills and
adjusted many items in dispute between
the two houses. Others were sent back
for further conference.

The bill amending the shipping laws
passed after adding the proviso that it
shall not change the law forbidding flag-
ging in the merchant marine.

Senator Gordon of Georgia, had in-
serted in the record an account of the extreme
simplicity of the inauguration of Wash-
ington and Adams.

SLATED FOR LIVERPOOL

McKinley's Ex-Secretary to be Duly Re-
warded.

Washington, March 3.—Another Ohio
man is slated for a fat office. It is whis-
pered about among the Ohio congressional
delegation that James P. Boyle, private
secretary of President-elect McKinley,
and who was active at the Chicago head-
quarters, will be appointed consul to Liv-
erpool, succeeding James Eel, of Ohio,
who was appointed by President Cleve-
land.

Confirmations Unavailing.
Washington, March 3.—The confirma-
tion by the senate of thirty-one nomi-
nations of presidential postmasters are ex-
pected to be unavailing so far as about five-
sixths of them are concerned. The obstacle
is the fact that the filing of a bond is pre-
requisite to the issuance of a commission.
Most of the offices are too far off to allow
of this technicality to be overcome, and
the result is the leaving of about twenty-
five of these postoffices to McKinley's dis-
posal.

Bicycle Repairing.

Our repair department is the best in the
state of Illinois and is in charge of a man
with sixteen years' experience in this
work. Our repair material is all high
quality. All work guaranteed. H. Mueller
Gun Co.—1-dtf

Garden Seeds.

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of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden
seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s—
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PRESIDENT

The Long Looked for
Good-Bye

IMPOSING INAUGUR

Washington City Crowded
in Decorations and All

Description of the
The Milita

Washington, March 4.—Today for the
fourth time in the history of the republic
a native born citizen of Ohio has been in-
augurated President of the United
States. It was an impressive yet beauti-
ful and simple ceremony that marked the
accession of Wm. McKinley to the high
office in the gift of the American peo-
ple. There was no dash of gratified tri-
umph in the dark eyes beneath the broad
white brow that scanned that shouting
cheering multitude that confronted him
on the broad terrace of the east front
of the capitol, but it was an expression
of humility, mingled with the realization
of the heavy burden he was about to assume
and a manly determination to remain
faithful to the discharge of the duties
his high office as he reverently bent his
head and repeated the words of the oath
of office. In many respects this inaugu-
ration will go down in history as exceed-
ing all that have come before. The de-
coration of the city, public and private
was more elaborate and beautiful than
has ever been seen even in this city. The
magnificent bodies of "dread troops" num-
berous than any gathered since
Grant's display at the close of the war.
Seventeen states had citizens in the
ranks and over sixty civil organizations
helped to swell the magnificent crowd.
To witness all this display there was a
mighty gathering of American people
the capital. The weather was beautiful.

THE DECORATIONS

The Avenue Decked Out in Magnificent
Style—Description.

The center of interest in the de-
coration of the city is the avenue. Penn-
sylvania avenue, stretching for an unbro-
ken sheet of asphalt 150 feet broad and a
long from the foot of the capitol to
foot of the treasury, and thence, after
short break at Fifteenth street, for
other mile and a half past the north
of the treasury, past the White House
the senate, war and navy department
Washington circle. There the inaugu-
ration procession turns on its backward
past the reviewing stand of the gen-
eral on K street. It is one of the
most remarkable thoroughfares and
the capitol of the nation, and its de-
coration for the American Olympiad is a
series of long thoughts and of expansive
money. The great trough of bull
from the capitol to the treasury, of
the most magnificent vistas in the
of cities, cannot brook any cheap
meat and this year the decoration
abundant. The avenue is a war
hunting. There are flags of all
waving from the windows or fl-
from every available flag pole, pre-
sented from the stars and stripes
the blue cross of St. George and the
elephant of Siam, and the black and
low dragon flag of China.

The presence of the crowd on the
tend a good deal of brilliancy and
and to the scene and detracts in
seed of excessive decoration. From
front to house front, except in the
where the police have cleared a way
is a solid mass of humanity, many
and constantly shifting; a veritable
man carpet for the great avenue
which the flood of the inaugural
gon is to roll.

Above the heads of the crowd on
side rise the walls of the houses, and
with every variety of flag and a
that the mind of the spectator is
holder can devise. There are stars
of red, white and blue under almost
window sill and where the nation
are waving there the yellow
black of Siam, the double-headed
of Atlanta, the red, white and